

Impasse On Food Contracts With Britain Goes To Federal Cabinet

OTTAWA (CP)—The impasse which has developed in Canadian-British trade talks on Britain's vital food contracts with Canada was placed before the cabinet today amid speculation that if the contracts are not renewed the export ban on farm products to the United States may be relaxed.

The cabinet took up the matter, discussed Wednesday in a Liberal caucus, which involves British contracts for bacon, beef, cheese, eggs and even wheat, amounting to millions of dollars annually. It is expected the cabinet will reach some decision soon, when a statement will be made to Parliament.

DEBATE LOAN BALANCE

The Liberal caucus Wednesday was left with the impression that the talks between a British mission headed by Sir Percival Leitch and Canadian officials, have made little headway. Sir Stafford Cripps, British Chancellor of the Exchequer, is said to have insisted that the \$317,000,000 credit Britain still has in the Canadian loan be used to boost United Kingdom exports rather than to import food.

Britain is said to want to use the remainder of the Canadian loan to buy such things as copper, zinc, lead, aluminum and perhaps leather to use in making exportable goods which will bring in U.S. dollars. The view is that the British people can get along with the foods that can be bought in other markets for sterling.

Canada is said to have taken the position that if she is to continue to sell wheat to Britain at below the world price, Britain should buy Canadian bacon, beef, eggs and other farm products

covered by agreements now expiring and at prices nearer open market figures.

It has been hinted from London that Australia may become a larger supplier of British food. A British food mission is going to Australia to study the possibility of getting bacon.

Meanwhile, members of the Canadian Wheat Board headed by George McIvor, have been in Ottawa for the last few days to be on hand for the trade talks and have had a meeting with Trade Minister Mackinnon.

Union Of Electors Formed In Alberta

EDMONTON (CP)—Roy Ashby, 25-year-old farmer son of P. H. Ashby, Social Credit member of Parliament for East Edmonton, has announced that he and a small group of Social Crediters will promote formation of a union of electors.

The union will not be sponsored by the Alberta Social Credit League, he said. "... they threatened to throw me and my followers out of the recent league convention in Calgary."

He said formation of the union is in line with the principles of Social Credit as expounded by the movement's founder, Maj. C. H. Douglas. The proposed union would endeavor to "make members of Parliament and the Legislature our servants."

The same fight the French-language Union D'Electeurs of Quebec is involved in.

WISBECH, Cambridgeshire—Mayor T. C. White has asked that the chain of office be halved to take "some of the weight" off his shoulders.

'Ringing Of Last Alarm' Tribute To Dead Fireman

Personnel of the Victoria Fire Department, representatives of other fire-fighting units of the Greater Victoria area and H.M.C. Dockyard, Mayor Percy George, city policemen, fire wardens and aldermen participated in the simple but impressive ceremony staged yesterday afternoon as a tribute to the memory of 24-year-old fireman Leonard Harper, 722 Russell Street, who was killed in a plunge from a falling ladder Monday morning. Many citizens gathered to watch the colorful ceremony.

Briefly the ceremony, termed a "Fireman's Funeral," preceded the funeral service held at St. Paul's Naval and Garrison Church in Esquimalt, conducted by Dr. H. H. Creal, cremation following at Royal Oak Burial Park.

A flag-bedecked fire truck bearing the hat of the deceased fireman and a large facsimile of fireman's helmet in flowers, accompanied by the large escort of uniformed firemen and police on foot and cars bearing civic officials, picked up the casket bearing the body at Sands Mortuary and at marching pace proceeded to the Cormorant Street headquarters firehall.

While the guard of honor lined up three deep on Cormorant Street facing the doors of the hall, the truck with Harper's body was backed into the hall via the centre door.

As this action was taking place the ceremony "Ringing of the Last Alarm," dedicated to the memory of firemen who lost their lives on duty, was performed.

SIRENS WAILS, GONG SOUNDS

The alarm box nearest the scene of the accident—which occurred at the rear of the same building facing the public market



Procession approaches Cormorant Street headquarters fire hall with fire truck bearing the casket containing Leonard Harper's body.

square—No. 61 at Fisgard and Douglas was rung-in by the control room operators, its walls sounding above all afternoon downtown noises. The honor guard came to attention.

The gong system in the hall tolled three times on the following series—six notes, pause, one note—this denoting the number

of the alarm box, then a longer pause and the two-note "tapout." It is a system that operates during a real fire, the gong tolling the number of the box, the "tapout" to signal the fire is out.

At the conclusion of this the truck emerged onto Cormorant again and the procession moved off to St. Paul's Church. On the

vehicle were six uniformed pallbearers.

Nick Harris, Norman Stewardson, Dennis Arnold and Cecil Jackson, a quartette of Harper's closest fire-fighting mates of the Dockyard department, the unit the dead fireman served with prior to joining the city department, were honorary pallbearers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A salvage collection for Oak Bay, Shoal Bay and Uplands. E 3413.

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Big Christmas Revue by musical group Victoria Little Theatre at Prince Robert House, Fri., Dec. 12, 8 p.m. Tickets at Fletcher's and Prince Robert House, 50c. Please book early.

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Rummage sale, Public Market, Saturday morning, Dec. 13. Athena Club, Oak Bay United Church.

Saanich Suburban Community Centre—Friday, Dec. 12, at 7:30 p.m. at Mount View High School, will hold a social evening, entertainment for the entire family. You are invited to come and have a good time.

See the Saanich Sewerage Film entitled "The Search for Health Goes Underground" and join in the discussion, McMorran's Hall, Cordova Bay, tonight at 8.

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Notice to members of Old Age Pensioners' Organization, Branch 5, and Victoria Campaign Council. All members of the above who are able, are asked to attend the funeral of Mr. Spurr, husband of Mrs. Dorothy Spurr, late secretary and publicity secretary, which will take place at Royal Oak Burial Park on Wednesday, 10, at 2:30 p.m. Wm. Partridge B 2408 or P.O. Box 932.

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Constable Faces Trial VANCOUVER (CP)—Constable Joseph S. Malley, 40, of the Vancouver police force, Wednesday was committed for trial on a charge of "attempting to obtain a bribe with intent to interfere corruptly with the administration of justice." Malley is alleged to have tried to obtain \$20 from a truck driver to "fix" a summons for speeding.

Weather

Weather today and tomorrow, valid until midnight Dec. 12:

Synopsis—An onshore flow of moist Pacific air is causing cloudy skies over the northern B.C. coast.

Widely scattered snowflurries are occurring in central and south eastern B.C. and cloudy skies are general in the remainder of the interior.

Some clearing is expected about midday in the southern coastal areas but a disturbance now approaching the Oregon coast will bring increasing cloudiness to these regions during the afternoon and rainshowers are expected tonight and Friday.

Temperatures remain near normal in almost all areas of the province.

Vancouver and vicinity, Lower Fraser Valley, Georgia Strait—Cloudy with widely scattered showers clearing about midday. Increasing cloudiness tonight. Cloudy with showers Friday. Winds light. Little change in temperature. Low tonight and high Friday at Vancouver airport 35 and 45. Abbotsford airport 30 and 40. Nanaimo 30 and 45.

West coast Vancouver Island—Clear becoming cloudy during afternoon. Variable cloudiness tonight. Cloudy with showers Friday. Winds light. Temperatures normal. Low tonight and high Friday at Estevan Point 36 and 45.

To 9 a.m.	Today	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Montreal	19	23	03	
Toronto	13	22	03	
North Bay	7	17	03	
Port Arthur	3	17	03	
Winnipeg	4	13	03	
Brandon	19	2	03	
The Pas	0	5	02	
Regina	0	5	02	
Saskatoon	0	3	03	
Prince Albert	19	0	01	
North Battleford	2	1	01	
Swift Current	0	13		
Medicine Hat	10	24		
Lethbridge	25	30		
Calgary	12	25	04	
Edmonton	21	28	01	
Kamloops	24	29	01	
Vancouver	35	45	01	
Cranbrook	35	39	01	
Victoria	35	39	01	
Seattle	38	44	01	
Portland	38	44	01	
San Francisco	40	54		
Los Angeles	37	56		
New York	30	37		
Chicago	40	44	04	

Tokyo Girl Murdered
TOKYO (AP)—Yoriko Miyao, 23, famed as the most beautiful girl in Tokyo's Shimbashi district, was stabbed to death and her mother and sister wounded by two robbers Wednesday night. The thugs, armed with 12-inch butcher knives, were captured.

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Troops Rushed To Rome As General Strike Continues

ROME (AP)—The Communist-controlled Chamber of Labor voted tonight to continue Rome's day-old general strike.

Fighting men of the three armed services moved into Rome late in the day to help police to keep order in the capital, undergoing its first general strike since pre-Fascist days.

Police riot squads at countless places had found difficulty controlling crowds, half in a holiday mood, half more menacing. Many of the bands, made up largely of

young persons, wore Communist Party badges or colors.

Some 80 persons were arrested for displaying armbands reading "civil police." Jeeps of police charged into crowds in the Colonna Square and at the "Five Corners" on Via Tritone.

All but vital public services and railroads were affected by the general strike, but government and labor leaders were reported to have agreed to broad general terms that might lead to a settlement.

A policeman was injured as squads removed barricades formed by trucks and motorcars in the quattucciole sector.

No official information was available but the impression at the Treasury Ministry was that the terms would be accepted by tomorrow.

The government, under bitter attack from leftists, was said to have increased public works allotments to absorb the unemployed. Thousands milled in the streets of Rome. Shops, stores and restaurants were shut and transit facilities were lacking.

There were some reports that government and labor representatives were making progress in negotiations at the Labor Ministry, but every form of endeavor, except vital public services and the railroads, was shut down as the talks, which began in mid-morning, continued.

The dominantly Leftist Chamber of Labor of Rome Province, which called the strike Wednesday night, said there had been no attempts by workers to violate the strike call.

The chamber estimated 500,000 workers had been made idle by the strike.

Vandals Loot Christmas Lights

Vandalism has already taken its toll of Victoria's Christmas decorations. Kenneth Reid, street lighting superintendent, reported today.

Bulbs from the strings of Christmas lights on the trees which are being placed at Oak Bay Junction and at Quadra and Pandora have been stolen before the trees were even illuminated.

Mr. Reid said the trees were put up and lights strung in readiness for illumination tomorrow evening, but more than a dozen bulbs have been filched from both trees.

He warned that the matter has been placed in the hands of the police department and a careful watch is being kept on the trees to prevent further vandalism.

The term "mining" covers all processes whereby minerals are recovered from the earth, including surface workings, underground workings and borings.

6 Miners Killed By Gas Explosion In Lehigh Valley Mine

WILKES-BARRE, Pa. (AP)—A gas explosion in the Franklin Colliery of the Lehigh Valley Coal Company today killed six men and injured at least three others.

Company spokesman announced six were known to have perished in the underground blast.

Mine rescue crews and ambulances were called to the anthracite colliery shortly after noon. The mine is located just outside this city.

P.E.I. Voters Choose 30 Legislators From 77 Candidates

CHARLOTTETOWN (CP)—Prince Edward Islanders tramped across the red soil of their province to polling booths today to select the members of their 30-seat Legislature in the 21st general election.

A total of 77 candidates, comprising 30 Liberals, 30 Progressive Conservatives, 16 members of the C.C.F. and one Independent Farmer-Labor, were in the race for the seats in the 15 double-member ridings.

Both the Liberal and Progressive Party leaders predicted victory. Premier J. Walter Jones said the Liberals, who have held sway since 1935 when they swept all 30 seats, would be returned with an increased majority. At dissolution they held 20 seats; the Progressive Conservatives 10.

Dr. W. J. P. MacMillan, Progressive Conservative chief who has been in island politics for 24 years and is a former premier, said he was "absolutely convinced" his party would be elected.

George Wotton, 27-year-old C.C.F. leader and former naval rating who is taking his first fling in politics, said his group would make "sweeping gains."

Except for door-to-door canvassing, electioneering ended Tuesday night with three meetings in outlying districts of the province.

The 235 polls opened at 9 a.m. and closed at 5 p.m. Of the 20 previous general elections the Liberals had won 12 and the Progressive Conservatives eight. The C.C.F. entered candidates for the first time in the 1943 election and all nine of their nominees lost their deposits.

The campaign, waged over a four-week period, was fought on the issue of the Dominion-provincial taxation deal, labor and the inflated cost of feed grains and fertilizer.

The petition also asked the re-establishment of subsidies on food and farm products and continuation of the Excess Profits Tax beyond Dec. 31.

Molotov Faces Firm Demand From U.S. On Reparations

LONDON (AP)—A firm United States demand on Russia to halt the removal of reparations from eastern Germany confronted Foreign Minister Molotov today and on his answer may hinge the success or failure of the Big Four conference here.

Molotov's reply may be made at today's meeting at which the council is expected to turn its attention directly to the question of reparations, a matter which has stymied other agreements related to Germany's economic unification.

Molotov was also expected to give his reaction to reports that the United States and Britain have reached a tentative agreement revising a pact for economic fusion of the American and British zones of Germany so as to give the United States control over economic and financial policies.

British informants said the new arrangements, effective Jan. 1, probably would "open the way for a new line of attack" on the western powers' policy in Germany.

The informants declared economic and financial control in the merged zones would be in direct proportion to each country's contribution to a common budget. This would mean the United States would assume virtually complete economic and financial control over the two areas.

In the bluntest language he has yet used during the conference, State Secretary Marshall Wednesday accused Russia of extracting German assets at the rate of \$500,000,000 a year while the United States and Britain have been pouring in \$700,000,000 to keep Germany alive.

Marshall declared the withdrawals must cease by Jan. 1.

WESTOVER FIELD, Mass. (AP)—The U.S. Air Transport Command announced today there were only six survivors of the 29 American military men aboard the transport plane that crashed in Labrador-ice wilderness Tuesday night.

A doctor who landed at the wreckage eight miles north of the Goose Bay base reported 23 were killed in the crash.

Names of the survivors and dead are being withheld pending receipt of a complete report.

A hard-driving wet snow has prevented any large-scale rescue operation, but doctors and medical supplies are being landed by helicopter. "A space was cleared within a half-mile of the scattered, charred wreckage."

The huge four-motored transport plunged flaming to earth in forested, hilly country that could not be reached by air or ground for nearly 24 hours.

USED DOG-SLEDs—A rescue party, made up of Canadian and U.S. air force men, traveled overland with dog-sleds to reach the wreckage Wednesday night. But first reports of the survivors came only after the landing of a radio-equipped helicopter.

Stormy weather hampered communications even though only eight miles separated the scene of the wreck from the Goose Bay airfield, from where the rescue operations are being directed.

It wasn't until daybreak that the first word came from Goose Bay. It was a terse message reading only: "Believe there are some survivors."

British Mandate In Palestine To Expire Next May

LONDON (Reuters)—The date for the relinquishment of the British mandate in Palestine will be May 15 next year, subject to negotiations with the United Nations, Colonial Secretary Crech Jones announced today in the House of Commons.

He said the withdrawal of British troops would be complete by Aug. 1.

"After the mandate has been relinquished, British troops still in Palestine will be responsible for maintaining order only in those areas in which they are still in occupation," he said.

Crech Jones, appealing to both communities in Palestine to prevent passions from becoming inflamed, said reprisals leading to further reprisals would produce chaos with disastrous effects.

"If illegal immigrant traffic is encouraged during the next few months a grave situation will arise which will make an orderly withdrawal and the transfer of authority extremely difficult."

Britain To Receive Grain From Russia

LONDON (AP)—Britain will receive "a substantial quantity" of Russian grain under terms of a trade agreement announced this afternoon by Harold Wilson, President of the Board of Trade.

Wilson, back from talks at Moscow, told the House of Commons the agreement "includes quantities, prices and detailed terms and conditions for the shipment to Britain of a substantial quantity of coarse grain out of the 1947 Russian harvest." The House cheered his announcement.

Chinese Reselling Huge War Surplus

SHANGHAI (AP)—The Chinese government is reselling to the world in general at least 2,000,000 tons of Pacific island war surplus which China received in settlement of a wartime U.S. debt of \$174,000,000.

This was disclosed today when a contract was signed whereby the Bethlehem Steel Corp. will buy approximately 1,000,000 tons of scrap for \$300,000,000.

Mountains of scrap will be moved from dozens of Pacific Islands in 100 shiploads during the next 18 months.

Light Vote Polled So Far In Civic Elections Here Today

Indications were for one of the poorest turn-outs in Victoria's history at today's civic elections as only 1,850 voters had cast their ballots up to noon today, from a record voters' list of 17,295.

M. F. Hunter, returning officer, estimated that usually one-third of the voters had balloted by noon, which would mean that only 5,500 could be expected to vote, unless there was a marked improvement during the late afternoon and early evening before the polls close at 7 tonight. Last year 7,866 voted, which represented 47.03 per cent of those eligible.

He felt the reason for the poor vote, despite apparent pre-election interest, was the lack of a majority campaign and the lack of any controversial or urgent by-law, such as the transportation by-law which brought the voters out last year.

Poorest vote recorded since 1927 was in 1942, when only 25.21 per cent of the electorate turned out. That year voters were electing aldermen and school trustees. There were no by-laws and no mayoralty campaign. Best vote recorded in the period was in 1938, when 63.16 per cent voted. There was a mayoralty campaign, aldermanic election and two referendums that year.

Level Crossing Crash Kills 4

TILLSONBURG, Ont. (CP)—A level crossing collision took four lives at nearby Stratfordville today when a train struck an automobile driven by Elmo Howey, 42, which police said had stalled on the crossing. Howey had been driving his four children to school.

Howey and a daughter suffered severe injuries and were brought to hospital here.

Police said Howey apparently did not see the locomotive until

the car was on the level crossing. Then the icy condition of the road surface prevented him from getting the car off the tracks.

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A LEADER CHOSEN

BY THOSE DEMOCRATIC PROCESSES which are the essence of its being, the Liberal Party of British Columbia has chosen Bryon I. Johnson, a Victoria native son, as its leader. That his victory over Attorney-General and Minister of Labor Gordon S. Wismer was attained by the narrow margin of eight votes in a total of 942 reflects the keenness with which the contest at the Vancouver party convention was conducted. It demonstrates, too, the vitality within the party which could offer two such candidates for the selection of the delegates. The latter, it is logical to assume, have heeded the many exhortations—including one from Mr. Wismer—to put aside friendship and personalities and to vote for the man or woman they felt could best carry on the principles of Liberalism. We in these columns, have advocated only an analogous course, "that participants in the convention proceedings ought resolutely to put the future of the province first—and personal and partisan aggrandizement last."

Though yesterday's battle for the leadership produced a close finish, it emphasized once again the basic service of free speech, freedom of choice, and the secret ballot—the traditional tenets of Liberal philosophy. It is fitting to remark that both victor and vanquished fought a good fight. And, perhaps, never before in its eight-year history, have the corridors of the Hotel Vancouver witnessed so much hand-shaking and back-slapping as they did on the first day of this fateful convention. Protagonists for Mr. Wismer were sure the Attorney-General had everything "in the bag," as it were. Similarly confident were Mr. Johnson's more ardent supporters. But the former Victorian entered the contest late. He had insufficient time in which to display his wares to the best advantage. Yet he won the day, an impressive achievement which instantly prompted Mr. Wismer to move that the election be made unanimous. This gracious gesture from one good sportsman toward another good sportsman did much to sweeten the convention atmosphere which at times on Tuesday had become somewhat sulphurous.

None will minimize the responsibilities which the convention's decision has placed on Mr. Johnson. His will be the name retiring Premier John Hart will, in the near future, recommend to the Lieutenant-Governor as his successor at the head of the administration. Nor will the fact that the government of British Columbia at present is a Coalition be discounted. It is a fortunate circumstance, we submit, that the Liberals in their choice yesterday were able to select a man who may fairly be expected to enjoy a similar trust to that placed by the Progressive Conservative members in Premier Hart.

It is at this point that further speculation begins. What will Mr. Anscomb's reaction be? Will he contend that the Progressive Conservative Party, of which he is the provincial leader, should inherit the premiership? Obviously this is the crucial question. Mr. Johnson and Mr. Anscomb will have to make up their minds on one particularly important matter, and that is a joint program for the preservation of the coalition.

It is, of course, for the followers of able Finance Minister Herbert Anscomb to decide what course they will take. But outweighing any other consideration—the Provincial Progressive Conservative convention resolution notwithstanding—should be the recognition that coalition must be maintained. The partnership that was formed six years ago by Mr. Hart and the late Mr. Maitland has given this province a government whose merit has been fully recognized by the vast majority of British Columbians. They have reflected at the polls their appreciation of the administration's stability and progressiveness. The way is open to maintain this beneficial coalition and thereby meet the wishes and requirements of the people. The public will deal harshly with those responsible for any action calculated to impair or split the arrangement.

Less significant than the provincial implications of yesterday's choice, but of particular importance to this city, is the fact that the new Liberal leader is so well known and so highly esteemed in Victoria. "Boss" Johnson, a symbol of sportsmanship during his athletic days, an outstanding and fair businessman, a conscientious representative of this city in the Provincial Legislature, and now head of his party, needs no introduction here.

TRADE PACT

TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENT THAT agreement has been reached on all the main points of a trade pact between Britain and Russia strikes a cheering note in the midst of currently ominous political developments. The agreement, details of which are now being worked out by trade experts in conference at Moscow, indicates not only that countries of two differing ideologies can co-operate harmoniously in at least one sphere of international relations, but suggests that through the multiplication of such contacts, the people of the two countries concerned may be brought into closer appre-

ciation of each other's ways and problems. The exchange of goods for mutual benefit cannot fail to have a good effect on the relations of the people involved in their production.

Wheat and timber are known as the Russian commodities most needed by Britain. The Soviet, on the other hand, looks for steel rails, electrical equipment, machinery and heavy industrial goods. Such things Britain is in a position to supply. The effect of large shipments of Russian wheat on the London market would supposedly bring down the high prices which have been created by the "sellers' market" in South America—a development which would ease the British situation to a considerable degree. An Anglo-Soviet wheat and timber deal would also no doubt have repercussions on Canadian trade with the United Kingdom, since these are commodities which the Dominion has been shipping in large amounts. Trade representatives of Britain and this country are at the moment meeting in Ottawa to work out contracts for the coming year.

SOUND POSITION

THE BEST INDICATION OF THE esteem in which the financial condition and future prospects of a man, a company or a political unit are held by the world at large may be found in the readiness with which money is loaned to that man or unit. British Columbians may thus feel pride and a sense of security in the fact that this province has just completed arrangements for a five-year \$5,000,000 bond issue at the lowest interest rate in its history. Carrying 2½ per cent interest, the bonds will cost the province 2.56½ per cent, a rate described by Finance Minister Herbert Anscomb as "indeed the best price so far received for B.C. bonds sold on the domestic market." While it is generally held by debenture experts that Ontario and Quebec issues command a favored reception in the financial markets, British Columbia through the years has held an enviable position, and continues to do so today.

Announcement of the bond rate within a few days of Premier John Hart's retirement from the political scene in this province comes as a fitting testimonial to the ability with which he handled the Treasury portfolio for more than 20 years. With a territory of vast resources to be administered, Mr. Hart brought to his work a keen financial insight and a deep knowledge of sound monetary principles. These he applied to the increasing benefit of British Columbia and the welfare of its citizens. The policies which he laid down and the programs which he implemented are being ably followed by Mr. Anscomb, his successor in the Finance Department, and citizens of this province may take full satisfaction from the healthful situation reflected in the impartial judgment of the money market.

AN IMPORTANT COMPARISON

ON THE SURFACE, THE EDITORIAL organ of the British Columbia Teachers' Federation, supporting the case for substantial Dominion government aid to educational finance appears logical. Summing up the issue, the publication states: "Only the federal government has sufficiently wide taxation powers adequately to provide for education. Public opinion must be roused to the point that it will insist that these powers be used. In this connection the B.C.T.F. will have to back to the full the policy of the Canadian Teachers' Federation for Dominion grants for education. Federal aid is of more than academic interest now."

The article states incidentally that teachers' salaries are still far from a professional level—a point emphasized in a parallel editorial which attributes to a continuation of "depression wages" during 1940 the present shortage of qualified personnel. None will question the increasing costs of education; nor will many deny the importance of making salaries sufficiently attractive to assure the most competent persons for the staffs which instruct and help to mold the character of the rising generation.

One point, however, must be kept in mind. The acquisition of substantial federal financial aid would carry with it the right of the Dominion government to have some say in the manner in which funds should be spent. That eventually would inevitably point up the contrast between teachers' salary scales here and those in other provinces. According to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, the median teacher's salary in British Columbia was \$1,675 a year, the highest in Canada, in 1946. How would claims for an increase in this area compare with those from Prince Edward Island, which pays its teachers a median wage of \$697, the lowest in this country? This does not discount the merit of the case for an increase submitted by British Columbia teachers. It does, however, suggest the reaction which might be expected should expanded financial aid for education be given by the Dominion government on the basis of need. One of the fundamental points at issue in Dominion-provincial relations comes immediately into focus. British Columbia is wealthy and has a high standard of education and social services. Would assistance from Ottawa enhance it, or would complementary demands for a share in control cause a leveling off to the detriment of this province? The point cannot be ignored in a computation of the price that might be required for further federal aid, particularly if part of it went to salaries.

What we need to make a fine world is fine leaders. Europe's hungry would be grateful for enough; but leaders pad statistics to grab all they can if it's free.

The Monkey Objects

SOME YEARS AGO a theory, holding wide popularity, was advanced to the effect that man gained his ascendancy over the other animals by virtue of his opposable thumb. This physical ability, it was suggested, gave him the power to grasp things, to handle tools and to fashion articles for his use. As these manufactured products were created, the theory ran, his concepts were enlarged. Variations were applied and eventually the mechanical genius of today was achieved.

The submission comes to mind as current cartoons feature indignant monkeys declining association with the species known as homo sapiens. One, for instance, portrays the father of a tree-dwelling family admonishing the mother with the words, "Never let me catch you telling the children that man descended from us."

IT IS PARALLELED by the story of the last man on earth, who, having delivered the final atom bomb over a lifeless remnant of civilization flew his plane away from the destruction of cities until, running out of fuel, he finally crashed in a surviving jungle. His return to consciousness was accompanied by inquiries from a group of chattering monkeys surrounding the wreck. He told them he was the last of men—that when he died, the human race would be extinct. At which the monkeys, appalled, asked: "Do you mean we have to start all over again?"

THIS IS ALLEGED HUMOR. But is it so funny? Man has been under the impression that he rose above the animals because of the endowment of intellectual faculties and spiritual resources. His was the power to see beyond the needs of survival, to build in the abstract, to understand the meaning of altruism, to aspire to a form more akin to what has been called the divine. His is the ability to catch the harmony of music, to relish the cadence of poetry, to appreciate the strength of prose, to see the beauty in art, to know and improve the refinements of living. To man has been given sensibilities which enable him to recognize the ideals of service to his fellows, to probe the sciences, to enter the quest for academic knowledge, and to struggle along the road toward truth.

AND FROM THIS endowment has sprung a degree of mechanical and technical supremacy which renders quite possible the grim background of the flier circling an all but sterile earth and, according to the story, reminding the monkeys they have to start at the bottom again.

In a recent article on this page, a United States columnist probed beyond the surface of conjecture on another global conflict. He noted that the effective technique of attack on an enemy had shifted the emphasis from combat forces to the production machine. With the ramifications of that policy he dealt only lightly. But he pointed out the fact that the workman, producing the food, the means of transport, the arms, or any other sinew of battle, suffered a reduction in his abilities to produce in direct ratio to the inconveniences, physical and psychological, to which he was subjected. Underscoring his argument, he asked how a man could give his mind fully to his job when he was perpetually under a cloud of fear that while he was absent from home, his wife and family might be the target of attack.

EXTENDING THE VISION to its grim and horrible extreme, he saw the baby in the cradle a suitable victim on which an enemy might concentrate his attention to disrupt the war production machine of the opposing power. Nor was he dealing in the abstract. Such conditions existed in the Second World War.

None but the mentally unbalanced can contemplate without a shudder the possibilities of another global conflict bringing into operation the hideous weapons that have been described recently. Their very discussion evokes a tragically grotesque picture of man, tolling his way upward to what he believed would be a more dignified life, setting each foot before the next in the climb, and reaching an eminence from which he could be blown from the earth, rendered again dust and all his dreams and hopes just so many obliterated shadowgrams.

SMALL WONDER the cartoonist should make the monkey protest. Small wonder that the pessimist should over-simplify sociology by adherence only to the theory of the opposable thumb. Overbalance on the side of scientific development could make man just too bright for this world. And there is nothing metaphorical in that suggestion.—A.H.S.

Quoting

We are approaching very near to dictatorship in Britain—a dictatorship without either its criminality or efficiency.—Winston Churchill.

Many millions of people cannot be kept without a government of their own forever.—Gen. Lucius D. Clay, Commander, U.S. Forces in Germany.

If labor can be confused or embittered, if labor can be made to lose faith in the community of which it forms a part, then the core of any national society is threatened.—U.S. Secretary of State Marshall.

The German people must understand that they cannot create an independent and unified Germany out of sharp contrast between the big powers, but only out of the still possible unanimity among those big powers.—Theodore Plivier, writer.

History Hangs On Her Fate



Andre Gide—Nobel Prize Winner

By ROGER GIRON

FOR THE SEVENTH time a French writer has been awarded the Nobel Prize for literature. Before Andre Gide, Sully-Prudhomme, Mistral, Romain Rolland, Anatole France, Henri Bergson and Roger Martin du Gard brought honor to France by winning the great prize. And in reading this list one is forced to concede that few literary juries have made as consistently good choices as the Academy of Sweden. If one expects the poet of "Vase Brise" (Sully-Prudhomme) whom one finds it difficult today to imagine once enjoyed almost universal celebrity, the six named are stars in the French literary firmament. These are of the true metal and time has done nothing to tarnish their brilliance.

INTREPID LOVE OF TRUTH As for Andre Gide who has refused all the honors his country could offer, who is neither decorated nor an academician, he occupies an exceptional position in the literary world. He has been translated into all languages. His fame has spread to all continents. One wonders if even the Nobel prize, which he receives in his 80th year, can add to his glory? In any case it is an honor to France and we are happy that the Swedish jury decided to choose him and put its citation in such appropriate terms: "The Nobel Prize for literature was awarded to M. Andre Gide for the broad and artistic value of a work in which he has studied the problems of human life with an intrepid love of truth and great psychological penetration."

CLASSICAL The first value of Gide's work comes from the eminent quality of his art. Fundamentally it is pure classical. The author of the "Journal of Andre Walter" judges this youthful effort (his first book, written in 1891) with rigorous severity. He discerned in it an imperfect knowledge of his language, though it is true that in that era of symbolism he was a young man who knew how to write frankly and wistfully, "What is more mysterious than simplicity?" In his personal diary. But little by little, book by book, his mastery of language increased until "The Immoralist" marked the triumph of marvellously fluid and clear writing. Andre Gide has explained at least a hundred times that "a work of art is never achieved except by restraint and the submission of realism to an idea of preconceived beauty." He exemplifies this "devotion to selection and the delicate instinct of choice" without which he would have little or no style. In life Gide's attitude is very different. All his efforts have been animated by a fierce individualism. All the works of Gide proclaim this incessant quest; this unceasing exploration of all thoughts, all feelings, emotions and sensations. On this point he has never changed. A journalist who congratulated him the other day heard him remark, "I remain unflinchingly individualist."

I have a horrible fear of one day seeing the world under a totalitarian regime. For me dictators, whether they be red, white or black, are all equally detestable.

PORTRAIT Nothing can tell you more about him than that. His portrait, pen in hand, is fully drawn without saying another word. The rest is merely a question of lights and shades: Now a diletante in love with beauty and putting above all else the pleasure of the intelligence; now an infant prodigy who never returns to his father's house but builds a dwelling of order and peace with his own hands; now a tormented soul, unstable to the point of agony, as the writer, Robert Kemp, has said so penetratingly, "Seeks his truth throughout all truths." Phrases of a perverse music keep repeating in our memories: "Disturb—that is my role"; "to judge something one must first stand away from it, after having loved it"; "I am not the man you think—I am his brother"; "I am caught in a dilemma—be moral or be sincere." And this sovereign affirmation in his masterpiece "The Counterfeiters": "It is good to follow your penchant provided you go upward." Only strong souls can follow such a doctrine but it is to these Gide addresses himself.

Sometimes the "satanic" quality of Andre Gide is mentioned. It would be rather more just to say he is possessed of the demon of truth.

She Has Flown 2,500,000 Miles

From the Melbourne Herald

AN OLD identity at Rose Bay, Sydney, the flying-boat Coriolanus, recently completed two and a half million miles in the air—probably more than any other commercial flying-boat in the Empire. Airline men at the Rose Bay base call her affectionately the "Grand Old Lady," as they speak of her war service, and her 20,000 accident-free flying hours.

Faster and more modern flying-boats are in service now on the British and New Zealand routes, but Coriolanus is always singled out by the airline men for special praise. Coriolanus was launched in Britain in 1937—one of the first Empire-class flying-boats built. That year she was handed over to old Imperial Airways.

EMPIRE ROUTES Based in Britain, she flew mainly on the Empire routes to Australia and South Africa until the war closed the Mediterranean to civil flying in 1940.

Then, with many of her sister flying-boats, she was based on Durban, maintaining the British routes to the Far East. The Japanese put a stop to that and Coriolanus was transferred to Australia in January, 1942.

Then manned by Qantas Empire Airways crews the unarmed Coriolanus began an exciting period of war service. Coriolanus flew through tropical storms, landed in uncharted waters, carried troops into some forward areas where no aircraft had been before, and made rescues under the noses of the enemy.

With her sister ships, Coriolanus began her war against Japan by helping in the evacuation from Singapore and the East Indies. Unarmed, the flying-boats flew women and children and the wounded of the Allied nations to safety.

The retreat from Singapore and the Indies left a train of flying-boat casualties in its wake. SHOT DOWN Corio was shot down by Zero fighters' near Koepang. Circe, with Capt. Purton in charge, probably met Japanese fighters and just failed to return. Corinna and Centaurus were sunk, at their moorings at Broome. Corinthian was lost in the northern waters, as also were Calypso and Coogee, while under charter to the R.A.A.F.

Coriolanus was later switched to emergency transport operations in New Guinea. She was

engaged in carrying urgent personnel and equipment into the war zone and return trips were made with the sick and wounded and troops on leave.

The flights to and around New Guinea were often made under hazardous weather conditions, but for once in their flying careers the crews welcomed bad weather. It meant that flying was much harder, but it kept away the enemy fighters.

When the war ended, Coriolanus was one of the first Australian planes to go back to Singapore. This time on survey work, she carried a team of airline men who investigated the possibility of rerouting the Australia-England service along the prewar flying-boat route through Singapore.

STILL SERVING Coriolanus now maintains weekly return services to New Caledonia, extending to Suva fortnightly, but occasionally she is still called on for special flights.

The British flying-boats of Coriolanus vintage, the Empire class, are gradually disappearing after 10 years' valuable service in peace and war.

Global Survey

By DEWITT MACKENZIE

Associated Press Foreign Affairs Analyst

IT'S A WISE MAN who doesn't celebrate a victory until he has it in his pocket—which is by way of warning that the French government's sensational repulse of Communist aggression represents only one success against the Bolshevik revolution and that many battles remain to be fought before the war is won for democracy.

Having sounded this warning note, it can be said that the Communists in France have come a bad cropper in having to bow before a government ultimatum and call off the strikes which the Reds caused through domination of Confederation Generale du Travail.

The current crisis has had three vastly important developments which are likely to have far-reaching effects on the struggle between communism and western democracy as a whole. These developments are:

1. The French government, in an hour of gravest danger from the Bolshevik attack, has reasserted itself with a display of armed force.

DEEP ANTAGONISM

2. France further has stood up to an infuriated Russia, and the two countries are at sword's point, with diplomatic relations all but broken.

3. France's revolt against Communist pressure appears to have had the result of impelling her to cut loose from Russian influence and cast her lot wholly with the United States and Britain.

Most important of these developments would seem to be France's great moral victory—her reassertion of herself as a power. A tremendous lift of national morale could result from this—and morale is what western Europe needs.

However, as already remarked, the present lull in the Red revolution may be expected to precede another storm. The Communist leaders of the C.G.T. are bitter over their defeat and have appealed to the workers to prepare for "future combat that will be severe."

Observers think the truce will last for a few weeks, perhaps until after the first of the year so as to give the workers a chance to replenish empty purses, to get by the Christmas holidays, and to forget (if they can) the hardships they have endured in the protracted strikes.

CLIPPED at RANDOM

AV COORSE!

Ottawa Citizen

It would be an irony of history if the United Nations, after all its endeavors, found itself in the plight of the League of Nations when it wanted a police force to prevent war. As the evergreen Mr. Dooley summed it up: "How'll they be ar-m'd? What a foolish question! They'll be ar-m'd with love, av coorse!"

PUZZLED

Letter to the Edmonton Journal

An advertisement announces a new shipment from England of arrowroot and cream crackers and shortcake, along with other nice things to eat.

This is all very puzzling to me, when I hear and read about the food shortage in England.

The ingredients for these "goodies" most likely come from Canada—such things as lard or butter, sugar and flour.

Could you, or some reader, explain to what purpose these edibles are returned to Canada, only to be purchased, perhaps, by someone to be sent back to England in Christmas parcels? Does it make sense to transport food-stuffs a few times across a continent and an ocean before it reaches a consumer?

Who benefits, if anybody, by such apparent waste of energy?

GOING DUTCH

Toronto Saturday Night

There are many people in Britain just now who would like to go Dutch. They would like to maintain and consolidate their colonial Empire under the shadow of the Stars and Stripes. They are quite happy to get out of India, out of Palestine, out of Singapore, out of any costly military or naval commitment and all on the basis of "let Uncle Sam do it." This feeling, natural enough in a people who have exhausted themselves in a war in which the United States has come out on top, is causing some worry in Washington. Only a year or two ago American officials were still troubled by the century-old bogey of British Imperialism. Now they are worried because the British Mos seems rather lamb-like.

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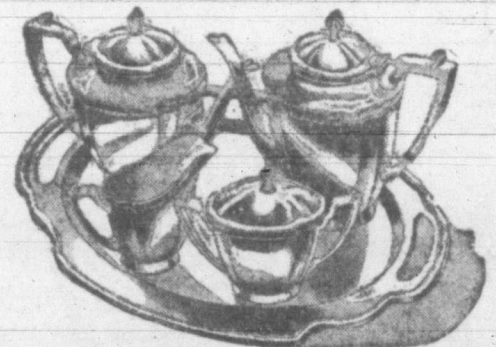
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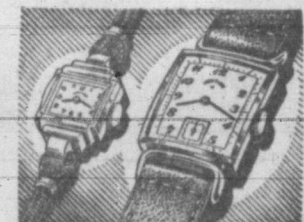
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The Liberty Magazine, Dec. 20, now on sale at your magazine dealers, carries pictures and stories of Canada's first employee-owned industry. Get your copy today.

Liberty Magazine is distributed on Vancouver Island by Lovick's News Agency.

Braefoot Veterans Get Cut in Cost Of Houses; Free Repair

OTTAWA (CP) — Veterans' Minister Mackenzie in the Commons Wednesday gave the latest details on the controversial Braefoot veterans building project outside Victoria.

Maj. Gen. G. R. Pearkes, V.C., P.C., Nanaimo, asked the minister whether an adjustment had been made to the veterans who have occupied or still occupy houses on the Braefoot project.

Mr. Mackenzie replied: "There has already been a downward adjustment of a substantial amount on the Braefoot estate and it is carefully estimated that there will be a further adjustment by way of a write-off, the amount I have not at the moment but shall very soon get it for my honorable friend."

"This includes the cost of remedial repairs to the houses and a revised selling price. 'It is merely a write-off that the public will have to stand. That amount of money has been spent to put these houses in order."

"As my honorable friend knows, the Braefoot project consists of 28 houses. Remedial repairs have already been completed on 25 houses and the remainder of three houses will be completed by Dec. 15."

Vancouver Elects Act. Mayor Jones; Beats Civic Centre

VANCOUVER (CP) — Acting Mayor Charles Jones today dropped the "acting" after gaining a majority of 4,265 votes over both his opponents in Wednesday's civic election for a chief magistrate to fill the one-year, unexpired term of the late Senator G. G. McGeer.

Senator McGeer died in August after completing eight months of his two-year term and, then an alderman, Jones was appointed until the next election.

His victory came despite voting for Mrs. Effie Jones, no relation and his chief opponent, who received a plurality in 27 of the 51 polling divisions.

For the second time a \$2,500,000 plebiscite for purchase of land for a civic centre in downtown Vancouver was defeated.

Conversely, residents of the Kerrisdale district appeared to have given a large majority to a \$75,000 by-law for construction of a local arena.

The mayoralty race was close for more than an hour after the polls had closed. Mrs. Jones at one stage actually led 3,074 to 3,044, when 12 polls reported. However, she finished 5,769 behind Mayor Jones' 24,690. The third candidate, Peter McAllister, was far back at the 1,504 mark.

Mrs. Jones gained early strength in the eastern or industrial section of the city, but lost her advantage when returns from elsewhere piled up large majorities in favor of the acting mayor.

Voting, expected to be light in an "off year," was moderately heavy. Last year Senator McGeer was swept into office on a record vote of 56,388 ballots. This year, unofficial figures indicated 45,655 people used the franchise.

Four aldermen were elected. A. W. Fisher and R. K. Gervin, Non-Partisan Association, Halford Wilson, Civic Improvement Group, and Mrs. Laura Jamieson, C.C.F.

McKellar Returned Astronomers' Head

Dr. Andrew McKellar, of the Dominion Astrophysical Observatory, Little Saanich Mountain, was returned to office as president of the Victoria Centre, Royal Astronomical Society of Canada, at the annual meeting held Wednesday night in Terry's dining-room.

Dr. J. S. Stevenson, Dr. McKellar son was elected vice-president; Mrs. J. R. Noble was elected second vice-president, and Miss Jean K. McDonald was re-elected secretary-treasurer. Yolande Langworthy was put into office as librarian; G. Darimont was made recorder, and Robert Peters was named to serve as director of telescopes. Dr. R. M. Petrie is honorary president of the group.

Speaker at the meeting was Rev. William Hills, who stressed the need for a closer relationship between the scientist and the ordinary working man. He stated science and religion should walk hand in hand.

The speaker was thanked by Cmdr. A. M. P. Scalf. Musical entertainment at the meeting was provided by Miss Jacqueline Sawyer.

Today's Crossword Puzzle

HORIZONTAL

1. Picture
12. Mountain nymph
13. Asiatic wild sheep
14. Circle parts
15. Holloman
17. Native of Denmark
19. Greenland Eskimo
20. Foot part
21. Promissory notes (ab.)
22. Loaded
23. Desert garden spot
27. For fear that
28. Intreaty
29. Knight of the Elephant (ab.)
30. Note in Guido's scale
31. She is a movie
32. Not as much
33. Contumely
37. Provided with weapons
38. Sohere
40. Bookkeeper
42. Summer (Fr.)
43. Hawaiian wreath
44. Traps
45. Abrasive
46. All
47. Sewing tool
48. Expunge
49. VERTICAL

1. Human
2. Covered street of snow
3. Legal point
4. Indian army (ab.)
5. Arabias soil
6. Monotony
7. Shield bearing
8. Norwegian (ab.)
9. Small child
10. Spire
11. Flower
12. He indisposed
13. While
14. Worm
15. Detains in port
21. She is a ———
22. Player
24. Ridge of sandy drift
26. Change
31. She is a ———
32. Kind of tabby
34. Smudges
35. Column
36. Sun
37. Scottish river
41. Man's name
43. Type of holding
45. Of the thine
46. Italian city
47. Sainle (ab.)
49. Narrow inlet
51. Hypothetical structural unit
53. Western Reserve (ab.)

(Answer to previous puzzle)

ACROSS

1. PICTURE
12. NIMPH
13. SHEEP
14. PARTS
15. HOLLAMAN
17. DENMARK
19. ESKIMO
20. FOOT
21. NOTES
22. LOADED
23. GARDEN
27. FEAR
28. INTREATY
29. KNIGHT
30. NOTE
31. MOVIE
32. NOT
33. CONTUMELY
37. PROVIDED
38. SOHERE
40. BOOKKEEPER
42. SUMMER
43. WREATH
44. TRAPS
45. ABRASIVE
46. ALL
47. SEWING
48. EXPUNGE
49. HUMAN
50. COVERED
51. LEGAL
52. INDIAN
53. ARABIA
54. MONOTONY
55. SHIELD
56. NORWEGIAN
57. SMALL
58. SPIRE
59. FLOWER
60. HE
61. WHILE
62. WORM
63. DETAINS
64. SHE
65. PLAYER
66. RIDGE
67. CHANGE
68. SHE
69. KIND
70. SMUDGES
71. COLUMN
72. SUN
73. SCOTTISH
74. MAN
75. TYPE
76. OF
77. ITALIAN
78. SAINLE
79. NARROW
80. HYPOTHETICAL
81. WESTERN
82. RESERVE

Early By-election For Yale Requested

OTTAWA (CP) — Howard Green, P.C., Vancouver, South, urged in the Commons Wednesday night that the government call a by-election in the vacant British Columbia constituency of Yale as quickly as possible so the riding could have a representative in the House when the session is reconvened next month.

The vacancy was created through the resignation of Hon. Grote Stirling, a Progressive Conservative and a former Minister of National Defence, to whom Mr. Green paid tribute.

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News of the Island

Seek Persons Who Knew Dead Man

COURTENAY—Albert Bay advises Harry Howson, aged 45, died at Wass Camp, Englewood, B.C., Dec. 8. Inquest this morning brought verdict death from natural causes. No relatives known. Discharged from army Feb. 20, 1941, regimental number K 67102. Anyone who knew this man, is asked to communicate with the B.C. police here.

Ganges Harbor School Bazaar Nets \$433

GANGES HARBOR—The sum of \$433, cleared at the annual school bazaar in Mahon Hall here, will go, for the most part, toward purchase of sports equipment for the school.

At the various stalls were: A. Hardwicke and boys of Grade 9; J. B. Foubister, Miss O. Mouat and girls of Grades 7 and 9; Miss R. Oulton and girls of Grades 11 and 12; N. Toynbee and senior boys; Miss Beverley Rogers, Charles Lees and Jim Graham. John Manning and Tommy Reid were in charge of the bazaar contest. A prize of a turkey was won by W. F. Thorburn.

Franklin Byron and Charles Greenough ran the coffee table draw which was won by Bruce Sampson. Mrs. A. Hardwicke convened tea, assisted by Miss A. Buckle and home economics students.

Ganges Harbor Dance

GANGES HARBOR — More than \$200, which will go toward the purchase of a new fire truck, was realized at a dance in Mahon Hall here under auspices of the Salt Spring Island Volunteer Fire Brigade in conjunction with their fire prevention week. D. L. Goodman was general convener.

More than 200 people attended. Donald L. Goodman, fire chief, was master of ceremonies. B. Malcheski was convener of refreshments, assisted by Mesdames J. B. Foubister, L. Bowden, J. Potts, R. Baker, D. Fanning, V. Bettis and S. Clarke. A spot dance was won by Mrs. S. V. Henn and Harry Nichols, and a bean guessing competition by Steve La Fortune.

Miss Barbara Goodman was in charge of the check room, and L. Marquis was at the door.

Communion Set Gift For Koksilah Church

KOKSILAH—Koksilah Indian Church was the scene of a ceremony Sunday morning, when an individual communion set, the gift of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Miller of Duncan was dedicated by the Rev. W. G. Challis.

The community set, which is of light quartered oak, with individual cups and a local hand-carved plate, was accompanied by all the necessary linens, which had been worked in solid and eyelet embroidery by Mrs. Miller.

Mrs. Miller, who had previously taught for two years in the Koksilah Indian Day School, has again been occupying that position during the past year.

Glen Lake Athletic

LUXTON—A dance and bingo game to be preceded by a basketball game will be held by Glen Lake Athletic Association in Luxton Hall, Friday, with proceeds to go toward community sports.

Luxton and Sooke teams in the Colwood District League Senior B will play. A. Foley, W. Allen and Miss V. Rhode will be in charge of bingo. A turkey and dressed doll will be drawn for.

Concert Friday Night

All parents have been invited to attend a concert and social evening in Mount View High School, Friday night at 8, being held under auspices of the newly-reorganized Saanich Suburban Community Centre.

B.C. Ship Officers Get 10% Raise

VANCOUVER (CP)—Masters and mates on C.P.R. and C.N.R. coastal ships will receive wage increases of approximately 10 per cent under a new agreement signed with the Canadian Merchant Service Guild.

A union official stated Wednesday his organization expected to sign similar agreements shortly with Union Steamships Limited and Frank Waterhouse & Company.

The new agreement covers some 100 masters and mates on the two companies' ships. An additional 73 masters and mates are involved in the other two companies.

Other provisions of the agreement call for a five-and-a-half-day week on an eight-hour-day basis and improvements in working conditions.

Wayne C. Bennett was fined \$35 and had his driver's license suspended for one month in city police court Wednesday by Magistrate H. G. Hall when he was found guilty on a charge of

dangerous driving at the intersection of Queens Avenue and Cook Street Nov. 29. His car was in an accident with another driven by George C. Rogers, both considerably damaged. Rogers

was treated at the hospital for hurts sustained.

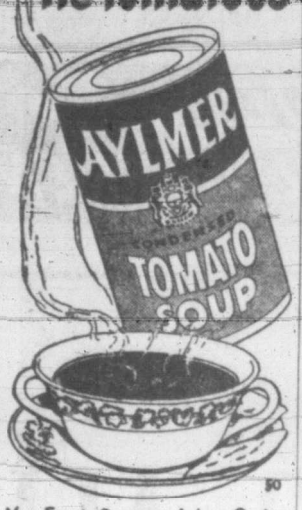
Building permits have been issued to the Imperial Bank of

Canada to make a \$16,000 addition to the building at 604 Yates Street, and to Mrs. R. Gillis to build a 5-room house at 2037

Because of unforeseen circumstances the 10th annual concert of the Victoria Girls' Drill Team, previously announced for Thursday, Dec. 18, at 8 p.m., in the

Sirocco, has been canceled. Norman Foster, founder and trainer of the team, said today. Instead, the concert will be held the following night. The time and place will remain as originally planned.

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Candies and Nuts		Figs		Tea and Coffee	
Candy, Hard Mix	8-oz. cello pkg. 23c	Kadota, in syrup, 15-oz. tin	25c	Salada Brown Label Tea	16-oz. pkg. 97c
Gum Drops	8-oz. cello pkg. 22c	Frankford Standard, No. 4 and 5, 20-oz. tin	2 for 25c	Nabob Tea	16-oz. pkg. 89c
Candy Kisses	Mint, 6-oz. cello bag. 19c	Chateau Plain or Pimento, 8-oz. pkg.	25c	Canterbury Tea	16-oz. pkg. 84c
Brazils, in shell	16-oz. 39c	Cherry Valley, 20-oz. tin	33c	Edwards Coffee	Regular or drip, 16-oz. pkg. 52c
Almonds, Calif. in shell	16-oz. 32c	Country Club, 30-oz. bottle	12c	Nob Hill Coffee	Whole Roast, 16-oz. pkg. 49c
Peanuts	Blanched, Salted, Kemp's, 8-oz. tin. 29c	Jordan, 16-oz. bottle	27c		
Mixed Nuts	New crop, large size, 16-oz. 39c	Eamon's, 12-oz. bottle	27c	Side Dishes	
Shelled Almonds	4-oz. cello bag. 23c			Olives	Libby's, Chopped, Ripe, 8-oz. bottle. 18c
Pecans	Funsten, shelled, 3 1/2-oz. tin. 49c	Soups		Crabmeat	Osprey, B.C., 6-oz. tin. 63c
Popping Corn	Nutty Club, pkg. 10c	Pea Soup	Aylmer, 10-oz. tin. 9c	Shrimps	Sea Maid, Wet, large, 5-oz. tin. 64c
		Celery Soup	Campbell's, 10-oz. tin. 13c	Stoned Wheat Thins	Red Arrow, 9-oz. pkg. 17c
		Tomato Soup	Heinz, 10-oz. tin. 11c	Tomato Pickle	Aylmer, Green, 16-oz. bottle. 27c
		Chicken Soup	Aylmer, 10-oz. tin. 14c		
		Vegetable Soup	Aylmer, 10-oz. tin. 9c	Appetizers	
		Scotch Broth	Campbell's, 10-oz. tin. 2 for 33c	Tuna, Tui-Pak, Fancy White, 7-oz. tin	59c
		Clam Chowder Soup	Campbell, 10-oz. tin. 17c	Pickles	Libby's, Home-made Style, 16-oz. bottle. 32c
				Biscuits	I.B.C. Select Sandwich, 14-oz. pkg. 35c
				Catsup	Red Hill, 11-oz. bottle. 27c
				Cheese	Berkshire, Medium, Ontario, 16-oz. pkg. 47c
				Luncheon Meat	Tempt, 12-oz. tin. 33c
				Potato Chips	Hunter's, pkg. 22c

Baking Needs

Sage	Seneca, 1-oz. tin	9c
Flour	Kitchen Craft, Regular or Vitamin B1, 7-lb. bag	40c
Raisins	California Thompson Seedless, 15-oz. pkg.	19c
Cherries	Maraschino, 6-oz. jar	35c
Pastry Flour	Wild Rose, 7-lb. sack	49c
Baking Soda	Cow Brand, 16-oz. carton	11c
Poultry Dressing	Seneca, 1-oz. tin	9c

Guaranteed Meats

Wing Steak or Roast Beef	lb.	49c
T-Bone Steak or Roast Beef	lb.	49c
Round Steak Roast Beef	lb.	45c
Short Ribs for Braising	lb.	20c
Pork Loin Roast	lb.	48c
Blood Sausage	lb.	32c
Baked Meat Loaf	Sliced lb.	39c

Smoked MEATS

Smoked Ham	Whole or half lb.	47c
Smoked Picnics	Tenderized, whole lb.	35c
Back Bacon	Piece, sliced lb.	75c

Safeway Produce

Lemons	California, thin skinned	2 lbs. 27c
Onions	Okanagan, Cooking	2 lbs. 13c
Carrots	Okanagan	lb. 5c
Cabbage	Local, firm heads	lb. 6c
Parsnips	Local, washed	lb. 7c
Turnips	Local, medium size, washed	lb. 5c
Cranberries	Cape Cod Late Howes	lb. 53c
Grapefruit	Texas, White	2 lbs. 17c
Sweet Potatoes	for baking or frying	2 lbs. 27c
Potatoes	No. 2 Gems	10 lbs. 40c

Apples
Some Beauty, fancy wrapped, 3 lbs. 25c

Pears
D'Anjou, fancy wrapped, 2 lbs. 25c

Oranges
New crop Navel, large, 2 lbs. 21c

Boiling Fowl 3 to 4 lbs. lb. 26c

Pork Sausage Pure lb. 37c

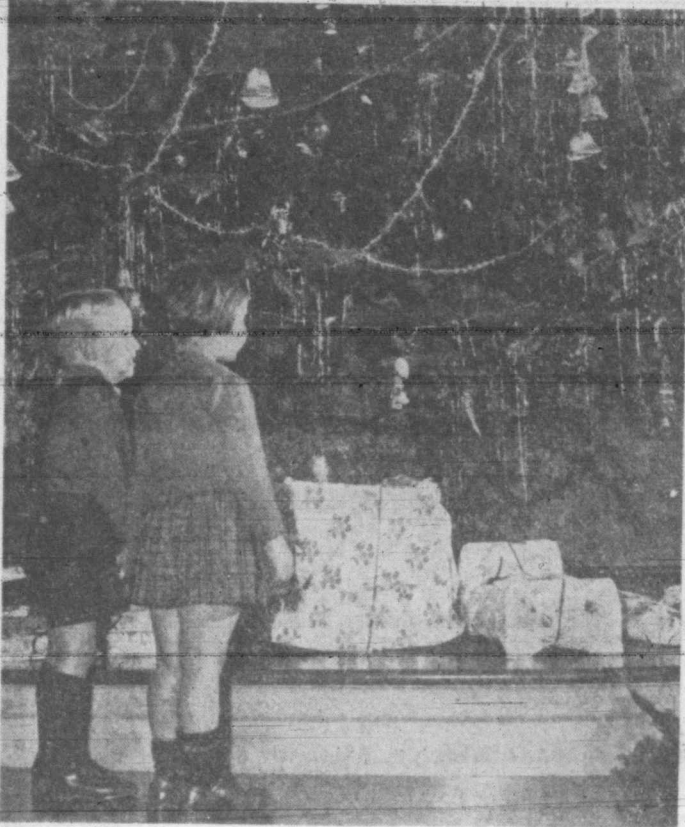
Salmon Cohoe Fresh frozen, piece lb. 37c

Oysters Pacific, 1/2 pint 36c

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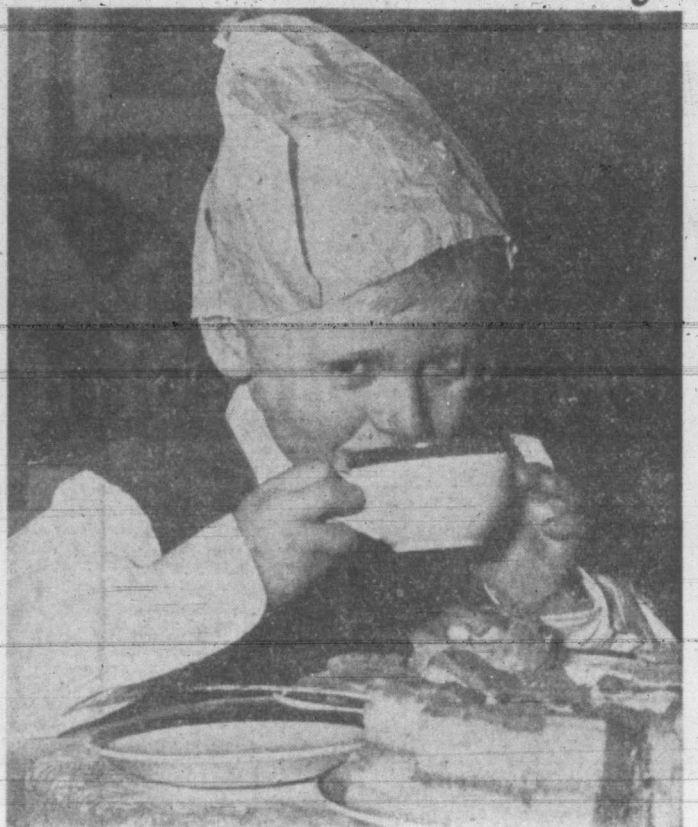
Government House Scene Of Annual Children's Party



A giant Christmas tree, glittering with lights and decorations, erected on the raised dais in the ballroom, was centre of attraction at the annual Christmas party given Wednesday afternoon for children of the Protestant Orphans' Home and Children's Aid Society of Victoria. In the picture above, four-year-olds Billy and Ruby wait patiently for Santa Claus, who made a special visit to distribute gifts.



His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Charles Banks, pictured above with a group of children, enjoyed the afternoon's fun almost as much as the youngsters. Mrs. Banks had personally chosen all the gifts distributed by Santa Claus and had assisted the Government House staff in wrapping them in gay Christmas paper and ribbons. Huge red net stockings filled with candies, oranges and nuts were given to each child. Members of the Junior Auxiliary to the Orphans' Home who assisted during the afternoon were Mrs. Helen Watkins, Misses Phyllis Mugford, Audrey Cridge, Gwynneth MacAffee and Anne Adamson.



Seven-year-old Larry, with 53 other children, sat down to supper at long tables decorated with holly and Christmas crackers, arranged in the downstairs games room. Other entertainment included comic moving pictures of Charlie Chaplin and other favorites. Mrs. B. M. Seats and Miss D. Trenholm accompanied children from the Children's Aid Society; Mrs. A. Barner, Misses Violet Clemo, Marguerite Fraboni, Sadie Ganner, Lillian Hercken and Birdie Fraboni attended from the orphanage.

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Club Calendar

Women of the Moose, Christmas tree, Dec. 19. Names must be in to record by this Friday. Columbian Diocesan Board of the Women's Auxiliary of the Anglican Church, meeting Friday morning at 10.

Christmas Social

The Chinese United Church Women's Missionary Society will hold their Christmas social gathering with the Christmas closing of the kindergarten in the kindergarten room, 528 Fisgard, on Dec. 17 at 2:30.

Midget gingerbread squares take dessert honors when topped with strained applesauce.

P.T.A. News

James Bay — A whist party, sponsored by James Bay P.T.A., will be held in the auditorium of South Park School Friday at 8.

Muir Creek — At a meeting of Muir Creek P.T.A. final plans were made for a children's Christmas tree to be held in Shirley Community Hall on Dec. 17 at 7:30.

Craigflower — At the December meeting of Craigflower P.T.A., with Mrs. A. Duplain in the chair, a demonstration of a sound projector was given. It was announced that a dance will be held on Founder's Day. Members were urged to vote in favor of the library plebiscite soon to be presented, and were reminded to report all salacious literature to the local M.P. It was decided to leave the serving of hot cocoa to pupils until January. Mrs. W. Thomson read the aims of the P.T.A., after which minutes were presented by Mrs. K. Maartman.

Clubwomen's News

Re-elected President—Mrs. G. V. Williams was re-elected president at the monthly meeting of Brentwood Women's Institute.

Mrs. E. Woodward is secretary; Miss Worthington, treasurer; Mrs. C. E. Topp, vice-president, and Mrs. R. Ronsen, Mrs. Moss and Mrs. M. Hamilton, directors. A sum of approximately \$165 was realized at the Christmas bazaar.

Donations were made to the following: Brentwood College \$50, B.C. Tuberculosis Society \$10, Boy Scouts \$5, Queen Alexandra Solarium \$15. Final plans were made for a 500 card party on Dec. 20 in the Institute Hall. Convenes is Mrs. R. Ronson, assisted by Mrs. S. P. Moody and Mrs. Moss. Turkeys will be given as prizes. Tea was served by Mrs. Lyell and Mrs. A. R. Anderson.

Turkey Supper And Bazaar

His Excellency, Most Reverend James M. Hill, D.D., Bishop of Victoria, officially opened the annual St. Andrew's Cathedral bazaar held recently at St. Louis College. He was introduced by the rector, Rev. J. L. Blanchfield, who was general convener of the affair.

Afternoon tea, served in the Mothers' Club room, which was decorated with evergreens and holly, was arranged by Mrs. W. Milligan, and visitors crowded booths where gift articles were on display.

Over 200 guests attended the ever-popular turkey supper, convened by Mrs. W. Rogers and a large group of assistants.

In charge of booths were: Mrs. M. O'Neill and Mrs. S. Hunter, home cooking; Mrs. K. A. Bland and Mrs. M. DeMacedo, novelties; Miss M. Morry of Junior C.W.L., babies and candy; Mrs. A. Le-gage of Altar Society, fancy work; Miss J. M. Clay, religious articles; members of the C.Y.O., soft drinks, ice cream and games; Mrs. E. Hornsby for Altar Society, Christmas cake; Mrs. F. Sullivan and Mrs. W. Cross, kitchen prizes; Mrs. J. J. O'Brien, Mrs. M. J. Haley, Mrs. C. Mulcahy and Mrs. C. Rivers, tombola tickets.

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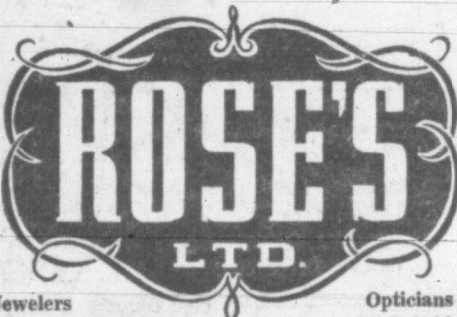
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PERSONAL NOTES

Buffet Suppers, Gay Dinner Parties Precede Royal Roads Christmas Dance

Capt. W. B. Creery, C.B.E., R.C.N., commanding officer, R.C.N.-R.C.A.F. College, with Mrs. Creery will entertain at a buffet supper at their home, H.M.C.S.

Commander W. Ogle and Mrs. Ogle will also entertain at a buffet supper at their Royal Roads home prior to the dance. Their party will include Rear-Admiral

The private dining room at the Chez Marcel, Colwood, will be the scene of a large dinner party prior to the dance when senior naval cadets entertain their dance partners. A group of junior air force cadets have also chosen the Chez Marcel for dinner. Among those who will attend these gay parties are Miss Jean McMillan and Miss Helena Hunkin with

Dr. and Mrs. Gordon Kenning will entertain in honor of their nephew, Cadet Fred Moore, at the Union Club, where Mr. and

Among private dinner parties being held prior to the dance is that of Dr. and Mrs. H. E. Ridewood who are entertaining at their St. Charles Street home in honor of their daughter, Miss Elizabeth Ridewood. Their guests will be Miss Patricia Greer, Miss Penelope Braide, Miss Anne

Miss Thirrell Lipsey and Miss Ann Cavenagh will be dinner hostesses at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Lipsey, Burdick Avenue. Their guests will be Miss Janet Strath, Miss Diana Arnott, Miss Verle Leith, Miss Phyllis Wakely, Cadets Ronald Fortier, Andy Bender, Allison Bell and

A dinner party has been arranged at the Empress Hotel for Miss Daphne Finland, Miss Diane Finland, Miss Edith McGill and Miss Leona Pedneault with Cadets W. Ryll, H. Witt, Andy Clark and Hugh Farrant. Also dining at the Empress will be Miss Georgina Whan, Miss Peggy Grant and Miss June Kenney with Cadets Bill Marsh, Keith

Mr. and Mrs. W. Stanley Moore, 1823 Beach Drive, are entertaining with a dinner party in honor of their daughter, Miss Corinne Moore. In the party

Royal Roads, prior to the Christmas dance at the college, Friday evening. Their guests will be Miss Trude Ramsay and Cadet R. A. McKay, Miss Wilma Dyson

E. Rollo Mainguy, O.B.E., R.C.N., and Mrs. Mainguy, Commander R. A. Webber and Mrs. Webber, Lt.-Cmdr. M. A. W. Bridgman and Mrs. Bridgman, Mr. and Mrs.

Cadets Alan Booth and Pat Morton; Miss Felicity Pepler and Miss Erica Pepler with Cadets Hamish Bridgman and Hugh Plant; Miss Ruth Gray and Miss Nancy Gray with Cadets Frank Colson and Jim Attwood; Miss Wilda Cuthbert and Miss Janis Olsen with Cadets John Provost and Bob Sircum; Miss Barbara Law, Miss Virginia Dean, Miss Margaret Donaldson and Miss

Mrs. Angus Kenning will act as hosts. Guests will be Miss Sally Woods, Miss Shirley Ellis, Cadet Larry Crawford, Miss Jean Cun-

Learsh with Cadets Jim Prentice, Richard Kirby, Wilfred Curtis and Bim Black. Miss Elspeth Ker is entertaining at a small dinner party at the Shasta Place home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. B. Ker, her guests, Miss Janet Denniston, Cadets Cy Armstrong and William Smith.

Pat Higgs, Tom Garrard, Bill Seeth. Miss Margaret Fairley will be hostess at a small dinner at the Beach Drive home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Fairley. Guests will be Miss Patricia Greenhill, Miss Helen Robinson, Cadets Bob Jones, Ross Currie and Reg Emerson.

McNair and Ken Scott. A party of 12 dining at the Empress Hotel will include Miss Diana Arnison, Cadet Mac Wilson, Miss Maureen Rogers, Cadet Keith Young, Miss Lois Cave, Cadet Robin Beattie, Miss Jane Fisher, Vancouver, and Cadet Carl Longmore, Miss Velma Bradbury, Cadet Ted Rankin, Miss Anna Malcolmson, Vancouver, and Cadet Bill Wilbur.

will be Miss Patsy Sparks, Miss Eileen Richardson, Miss Kathleen Hurley, Cadets Harvey Knight, Noel Lyon, Ted Francis and Douglas Liss.

Brides-Elect Honored

Honoring Miss Gloria Arnott, whose marriage takes place on Dec. 20, Mrs. H. A. Brown was a hostess Wednesday afternoon at her home on Uplands Road, with a kitchen shower. Gifts were presented by small Susan Brown in a decorated container representing a large white package. Mrs. Jeffrey Arnott presided at the tea table, which was centred with a low arrangement of white chrysanthemums

Mrs. Molly Valk and her fiancé, Mr. R. F. Featherstone, were guests of honor at an after-five cocktail party given by Miss Joan Fortt Wednesday evening at the home of her parents, Col. and

Returns From Scotland

Mrs. R. Scott-Moncrieff and her son Alasdair, who have been visiting in Scotland for the past few months, returned this afternoon to their home at 663 Rad-

Mrs. T. C. Cook, Rockland Avenue, accompanied by Mrs. William Martin, a visitor from Indian Head, Sask., is spending a week in Seattle.

Mrs. W. Milburn, 2629 Dalhousie Street, has returned to Victoria following a three-month visit on the prairies and in eastern Canada. She was accompanied to the city by her sister, Mrs. W. B. Donaldson of Revelstoke, who will spend a short time here en route to California.

Miss Flora Hamilton Burns will return to Victoria some time next week to spend the holiday season with her brother and sister-in-law Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Burns, Ten Mile Point. Miss Burns has been traveling in eastern Canada and the States for the past nine months and at present visiting friends in New York.

Mrs. E. Whitmore was hostess this afternoon at her home on Transit Road, in celebration of the birthdays of her two younger children, Joan, who is three to-day and Brian who is two on Friday. The rooms were decorated in the Christmas motif. Small guests included Bobby Foster, Gary Connelly, Douglas Whitehead, Bobby Robinson, Monty Fulton, Richard Bowering, Clifford Bowering, Alan Foster, Barry Whitmore, Valerie and Diane Watkin, Evelyn Bowering, Linda Clarkson, Monica Fulton. Grown-up guests were Mesdames

and pink heather. Mrs. Dians Arnott assisted the hostess in serving the 16 guests. Today, Mrs. W. Stanley Moore was a luncheon hostess at the Union Club in honor of Miss Arnott. A corsage bouquet was presented to the honor guest and a purse bouillonné to her mother, Mrs. Jeffrey Arnott. A gift of cups and saucers was also given to Miss Arnott from the assembled guests. Covers were laid for 12.

Mrs. R. L. Fortt, Windsor Road, Mrs. Ronald Wattie and her sister, Mrs. P. D. Sills, were co-hostesses at a luncheon at the Union Club Wednesday to honor Mrs. Valk, when covers were laid for 12.

cliffe Lane. While in Scotland they were the guests of Mrs. Scott-Moncrieff's sister, Viscountess Colville of Culross, at Stonehaven.

J. Davidson, K. Ulrick, F. Watkin, R. Bowering, J. Whitehead, J. Connelly, B. Robinson and J. Fulton.

Y.P. Societies

Metropolitan—At the regular meeting of the Metropolitan Young People's Union Tuesday evening, Miss Ruth Roddell, Miss Betty Mills and Peter Korchen-sky were welcomed as guests. Miss Thelma Obee reported success of a Christmas carol tea held Dec. 6. Miss Betty Spiller outlined plans for sending a hospital bed to Skidgate Mission. Arrangements for the Christmas party on Dec. 23 were announced by Peter Cairns. A program on the meaning of Christmas was conducted by Miss Ella Marr, Miss Gladys Pool, Don Walker and Douglas Robinson. Miss Betty Spiller led the closing Christmas service of worship, with Miss June Bailey as accompanist. Annual banquet will be held on Tuesday at 6 o'clock in Terry's dining-room. All young people were asked to notify Jack Spiller, B3362, by Monday re attending.

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Ann Gill with Cadets Bob White, Alan Morris, Bob Young, and George Carpenter; Miss Adele Gault, Miss Mary Gill, Miss Jerry Long, Miss Marilyn Ivings and Miss Meg Jones with Cadets Henri La Belle, Alan Rowland, Alan Lowe, Bob McAllister and Peter Hill; Miss Margaret Ogle and Miss Mona MacLean with Cadets James Miles and Verne Nurlison.

ningham, Cadet Bill Vradenburg, Miss Ann Henderson, Cadet Ken Lewis.

Clubwomen's News

New Officers—Mrs. F. W. Wilson was named president of the Women's Auxiliary, Garden City United Church at a meeting held Wednesday. Other officers are: Mrs. T. C. Drayson, vice-president; Mrs. R. Young, secretary; Mrs. P. H. Tucker, treasurer; Mrs. J. C. Tebb, press, and Mrs. A. E. Ricalton, kitchen convener. Plans were made to sponsor a concert to be presented by the Sunday school on Dec. 19 with a Christmas tree, Santa Claus and gifts for the children.

Hear Speaker—Members of Victoria Chapter, Registered Nurses' Association, held a meeting Tuesday evening at the Veterans' Hospital. Miss G. M. Fairley, former superintendent of nurses, Vancouver General Hospital, was speaker. During a short business session a report was heard from the committee on transportation problems, Sunday and holidays for hospital employees and nursing personnel. It was unanimously decided that further representation should be made to the public transportation committee in order that this problem may be recognized and

a solution found. It was announced the war memorial fund was greatly increased and each nurse was asked to subscribe at least \$1.00 to provide textbooks for devastated schools of nursing in Great Britain and in Europe. During the evening gifts brought by members were collected for children's Christmas cheer in the city.

Committee Meets—Ladies' committee of the Connaught Seamen's Institute met in Y.W.C.A. with Mrs. Vernon Thomson in the chair. Wool convener, Miss de Trafford, reported 40 pairs of socks and one sweater received. Plans were made for Christmas cheer for sailors in Royal Jubilee

and St. Joseph's Hospitals. An ex-sailor in their home will receive fuel, woollens and other things.

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	Tenderized Cottage Rolls, lb.	63¢	

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ROASTS	PORTERHOUSE, T-BONE, WING RIB, lb.	49¢
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SMOKED TENDERIZED BONELESS HAM, lb.	72¢	

ROBIN HOOD FLOUR	7 lbs.	24 lbs.	49 lbs.
	42¢	\$1.39	\$2.75

LIPTON'S NOODLE SOUP	2 pkts.	25¢
KARO SYRUP	2-lb. tin	29¢
	5-lb. tin	67¢
HONEY BUTTER	Pure Honey and Butter, 10-oz. carton	37¢
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1-lb. pkt.	11¢		3-lb. pkt.	28¢
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MALT AND COD LIVER OIL EXTRACT, 2-lb. jar	69¢
BORDEN'S CHOCOLATE MALTED MILK, 16-oz. tin	46¢
HOT WATER BOTTLES, guaranteed, each	79¢
A.S.A. HEADACHE TABLETS, bottle of 100	19¢
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BRIAR PIPES, boxed	1.25
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LIQUID PETROLATUM, 16-oz. bottle	35¢
YARDLEY'S SHAVING BOWL, each	1.25
CHRISTMAS CARDS, Regular 15c	3 for 25¢
FAVORITE CIGARETTE OR PIPE TOBACCO, 1/2-lb. glass jar	1.05

SHELLED ALMONDS, 1/2-lb. Cello	55¢
NABOB QUEEN, 2-oz. jar	39¢
McLAREN'S STUFFED, 9-oz. jar	55¢
McLAREN'S STUFFED, 16-oz. jar	89¢
CANADA CORN STARCH, Per pkt.	16¢
CUSTARD MONK & GLASS, 16-pkt. tin	38¢

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CHEESE, Matured, Finest Ontario, lb.	49¢
BLUFORT BLUE CHEESE, 1/2 lb.	43¢
PAVALLON LOAF CHEESE, lb.	37¢
GOLDEN LOAF CHEESE, 2-lb. box	98¢
EGGS, GRADE A LARGE, dozen	52¢

CHRISTMAS MIXED CANDY	SATINS, BRILLIANTS, per lb.	49¢
NABOB MINCEMEAT, 2-lb. jar		45¢

Fire Loss Increase For Oak Bay Shown In Annual Report

A fire loss of \$41,965 was suffered in Oak Bay last year, with the major portion of the loss made up of the \$37,000 fire at the Willows Exhibition Ground April 19, Councillor W. G. Ellis reported at the annual meeting of Oak Bay council Wednesday evening.

Submitting the report for Councillor J. V. Johnson, chairman of the fire department committee, Councillor Ellis said there had been an increase in

both fire alarms and fire losses over 1946. This year 163 alarms have been responded to. Of the fire loss remaining after the Willows loss is subtracted, 75 per cent was suffered during January.

The fire loss per capita was \$3.50, but excluding the fire at the Willows Exhibition Grounds the loss would be 41 cents per capita, Councillor Ellis said.

He noted that the National Fire Protection Association awarded the Oak Bay fire department the "Certificate of Merit" for placing first in B.C. in areas from 10,000 to 25,000 population for educational activities during Fire Prevention Week.

He also reported that, in cooperation with students from the Normal School, classes from various public schools attended short courses on fire fighting and fire prevention. Boy Scouts and members of other organizations also attended instructional courses at the fire hall.

At the present time, he said, firemen were using their spare time to repair toys for presentation to the Queen Alexandra Solarium. Approximately 1,000 articles have been put in good condition to date.

Retiring Reeve Walker Opposes Amalgamation Of Municipalities

Strong opposition to the amalgamation of Oak Bay with Victoria, Saanich and Esquimalt was voiced by Reeve Walter Walker, who, on the eve of his retirement from municipal politics, made his annual report to citizens of the municipality at the annual meeting of the council in Oak Bay High School Wednesday evening.

The reeve remarked on a campaign which has been conducted during the past several months favoring the amalgamation of the four municipalities and noted a referendum on the question is being placed before the electors of Victoria.

The other three municipalities have not taken the same action principally because they do not believe the question of amalgamation is as important as several others now pending and do not wish to become involved in an expensive investigation at the present time, the reeve said.

Opponents to amalgamation have been given no opportunity to be heard, the reeve charged, "but as a voter in the City of Victoria I am going to vote in the negative, because I believe the continuance of Oak Bay municipality is a distinct asset to the business and professional men of Victoria."

His reason for saying that, he said, was that Oak Bay's reputation throughout Canada and a part of the U.S. as a residential district of very high quality was of the best, and in consequence many desirable and well-to-do people have made Oak Bay their home, a fact by which the merchants have profited.

"It is said that we use the streets and sidewalks of the city without paying anything toward their upkeep. If, as a merchant, I could be assured of the patronage of 11,000 people such as those in Oak Bay, I would gladly pay the cost of the streets that would enable them to reach my door," he said.

"I believe that this absorption which is being campaigned for is a fast mistake, and one thing I am sure of . . . no sane provincial government would pass legislation to bring it about by force."

Turning to the housing situation in the municipality, Reeve Walter Walker said his hopes for improved conditions, expressed in his annual report a year ago, have not been realized and there is even less building now than there was a year ago.

NEED FOR HOMES ACUTE
Continual increases in labor and material costs, together with the scarcity of some essentials, have brought home building practically to a standstill in the municipality, he continued. "The need for homes is still acute. There is, however, little expectation that low rental houses will be built in this municipality if our building standards and specifications are adhered to." He doubted if Oak Bay citizens would care to see the standard lowered.

The demand for vacant property is still very brisk and prices are high due to the scarcity, according to the reeve. He reported Oak Bay has very few accessible lots left and that the greater part of the developed and services section of Uplands is now in private hands.

The third subdivision in the Hudson's Bay property north of the Willows has been approved but the development has been retarded by reason of shortage of labor and the necessity of completing those public works which had been delayed during the years, he said. The water situation is a factor which will delay building in the area, he continued, and added that he did not expect any relief of this condition before 1949.

Plans to bring a 36-inch or 42-inch pipe into Oak Bay at Lansdowne would have to await the settlement of the waterworks question, he said.

FAVORS WATER BOARD
He spoke in favor of establishment of a Greater Victoria Water Board, pointing out that the understanding was that the municipality would retain its own distribution system. "This vote, if favorable, will strengthen the hands of the council when negotiations for purchase are entered into. I would welcome an affirmative vote as I believe that the establishment of such a board will be a boon to the area to be covered."

Such a board would have less difficulty and pay a lower rate of interest for the sum required during the next five years than if the plant was under the ownership of one municipality, as at present, he said.

"It will not likely mean cheaper water but it will, when the contemplated improvements are made, remove the necessity for the irritating annual restrictions."

He asked that Oak Bay citizens not be alarmed by the "fantastic" sums mentioned by some city alderman, assuring that he did

not believe Oak Bay council would enter into any deal detrimental to interests of the municipality.

FEARS B.C. LEGISLATION
He warned against the danger of provincial legislation overriding building restrictions at the Willows imposed by the council. The council had, the reeve said, rezoned the property for residential purposes but the rezoning was not retroactive and the property can continue to be used as a racing plant as long as the present buildings lend themselves to repair and maintenance.

No new building of the same character can be built so the removal of the Willows as it now exists is only a matter of time unless the province legislated against the Oak Bay council's action, he said.

He stated that the appointment of a Town Planning Commission in Oak Bay had been fully justified. He spoke, however, of the problem of large, older and expensive residences which are no longer required for the purpose for which they were built. In order to realize some of the part of the cost, he said, the owners wish to convert them into apartments and, in most instances, the surrounding ratepayers object, claiming the change would be detrimental to their properties.

Some policy in this regard, which would be satisfactory to all concerned, must be adopted, the reeve said, adding that the council, the commission and the zoning appeal board have already met together and had a preliminary discussion on the subject.

Amalgamation Out, Says Reeve-Elect
Reeve-elect R. A. B. Wootton Wednesday evening told a meeting of residents attending the annual meeting of the council at Oak Bay High School there was no question of his supporting amalgamation.

"It is not my intention to preside over the liquidation of the municipality of Oak Bay," he stated.

Of other aspects of his forthcoming leadership of the Oak Bay council, he said "I will not make any promises, but I hope you will like me as much after the estimates and tax rates for the year are in."

In concluding his brief address, he paid tribute to the service of retiring Reeve Walter Walker, speaking of him as an unselfish, capable and open-minded man who had given his services to the municipality.

RICHMOND, Surrey—Of 2,682 schoolchildren examined in the area 192 were found to be undernourished, said the Surrey Education Committee's annual report.

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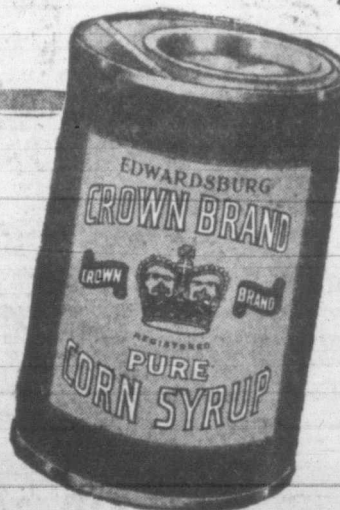
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Crime in Oak Bay Shows Decrease During Past Year

A reduction in both court cases and juvenile cases in Oak Bay during 1947 was reported to Oak Bay residents by Police Commissioner J. F. Dick at the annual council meeting held in Oak Bay High School Wednesday evening.

Court cases dropped from 185 in 1946, to 145 this year, and juvenile cases from seven to four, according to Commissioner Dick who is back in office for another term by acclamation.

Motor vehicle accidents, however, showed an increase, rising from 42 in 1947 to 58 this year. There were no serious injuries suffered in these accidents and there were no hospital cases resulting from them.

Reports received at Oak Bay police headquarters rose from 3,800 in 1946 to 4,100 this year, and checks on unoccupied houses rose from 900 to 1,100.

In concluding his report, Commissioner Dick urged that Oak Bay adults drive carefully in the municipality's 20-mile zone, to set a good example to the junior members. He also urged parents to impress upon their school-age children the necessity for obeying regulations while riding bicycles. Although the child was charged, it was the parent who had to pay the fine, the commissioner pointed out, adding that parents' advice might well be the means of preventing death or injuries.

Modernization of Oak Bay's lighting system appeared in the offing with the report of Councillor P. A. Moir, public works and parks committee chairman, to Oak Bay residents at the annual council meeting in Oak Bay High School Wednesday evening in which he told them a scheme would be drawn up to adequately light the municipality and that a money-by-law would probably be submitted to the ratepayers next year.

A detailed plan is in preparation showing the location and candle-power of all existing lights and position of all poles that carry new lights, he said, reporting that recent inquiries and cost estimated show that cost of removing poles is prohibitive. However, he said, all future development in the north part of Oak Bay is providing for poles off the streets.

He reported that Oak Bay was approximately three years behind in its local improvement scheme and had 14 projects fully petitioned and a number of others pending.

He spoke of the accumulation of work piled up during the war years, during which time the municipality was prohibited from doing any new construction. "For example," he said, "in January, 1939, there were 2,285 homes in Oak Bay, whereas at present there are 3,200, an increase of nearly 1,000, all of which require some form of new service."

The 1939 public works department strength of a permanent working staff of 23 men and 16 temporary men has been increased to 70 men, practically regularly on the staff, he said. COSTS UP 50 PER CENT

He outlined work done in paving, curbs and sidewalks but reported that the cost of this work had increased 30 per cent during the past 18 months. Many supplies are still hard to obtain, he added.

Regular work would have to be dropped when streetcars are discontinued in Oak Bay so that rails can be lifted and the area left in passable shape, and in some cases the final paving completed immediately.

The parks and boulevards situation was better. A new full-size football ground has been completed at Windsor Park and will be ready for play next year. A full free service is given all forms of boys' sports at this park.

The Willows Park ground is now in full play after grading and seeding. The Lafayette Park is fully open for play. Both parks have been provided with swings, slides and bars, presented by a resident wishing to remain anonymous.

During the past year, the Oak Bay Kiwanis Club built a refreshment stand at the Willows Beach and made \$400 which is being used for the benefit of Oak Bay parks.

Steps are being taken to deal with the problem of fallen leaves and it is hoped to have a special machine made locally to suck up wet and dry leaves, Councillor Moir said.

He hoped that next year a start would be made on the newly acquired Uplands Park and also on some small play-

grounds. The proposed Memorial Park location has not yet been fully decided upon.

He reported that Oak Bay had found it necessary to make a small charge for pick-ups at stores, hotels, etc., and that this new charge will shortly be going into force.

Building has dropped sharply, he said, and only 73 permits have been issued so far this year, as against 117 last year. Permit values have dropped from \$769,000 to \$510,000.

British M.P.'s Told Not To Give Secret Information Away

LONDON (Reuter)—After a lively debate in the House of Commons, a government motion was carried Wednesday by 287 votes to 123 declaring that any member who disclosed confidential information for payment

to a journalist and any journalist involved would "incur the grave displeasure of the House and that the House might then take such action as it thought fit."

Anthony Eden, deputy leader of the Conservatives, urged the government to allow a free vote rather than a party vote and Harold MacMillan, also Conservative, pointed out that during the debate only the two government speakers and William Gallagher,

Communist, had supported the government motion.

Herbert Morrison, leader of the House, refused to give way and the vote followed on party lines.

The resolution is a sequel to the recent expulsion of the former Labor member, Garry Allighan, and the reprimanding of another Labor member, Evelyn Walkden, who were found guilty of selling accounts of what happened at private meetings of the Parliamentary Labor Party.



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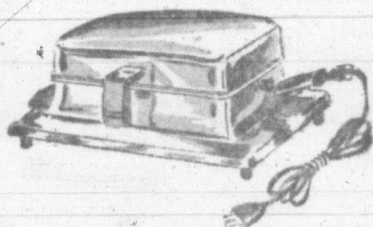
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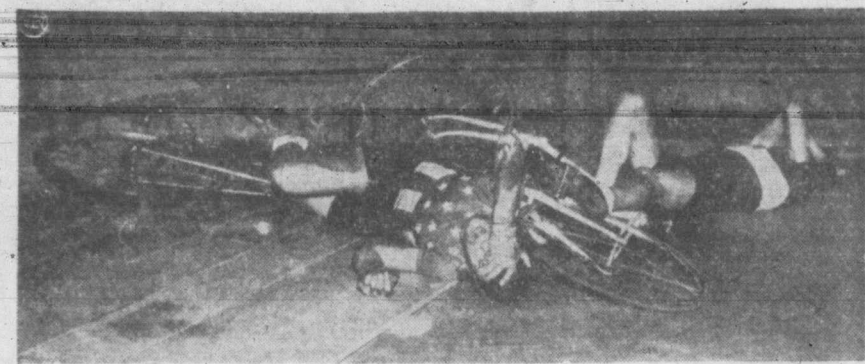
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Opening of six-day bike race at Cleveland, Ohio, saw numerous spills in which the one above hospitalized Charlie Bergna (foreground) and Marcel Guimbretiere, Bergna, of the American team, suffered painful floor burns and bruises, while Guimbretiere, who rode for France in the 1928 Olympic Games, suffered a brain concussion.

Hornets Rack Up 6th Straight Hoop Win

Vancouver and Seattle widened their grasp on top spots in the Pacific Coast pro cage race last night, the Canadians drubbing Astoria 55 to 43 for their sixth straight triumph and Seattle easing past Tacoma 50 to 46 for its third in a row.

The encounters followed true to form in all but one respect: Astoria held the high-scoring Norm-Baker to but six points, the first time this season he has missed the double numbers. Seattle's player-coach, Al Brightman, continued to top the scoring parade for his team with 19, six more than Johnny Katka had for Tacoma.

It was Brightman's basket that broke a 45-to-45 deadlock to send Seattle into the lead a minute and a half before game's end.

Tonight's schedule brings out the revived Portland Indians for the first time this week. They travel to Tacoma. Seattle bids for its fourth straight win in entertaining the strong Bellingham Firecrackers.

The Hornets grabbed an early lead but Astoria stayed within a couple of field goals until the fading minutes.

Bitterness of the battle was attested when referees and players stopped a fight between several opposing players four seconds before the game ended. Astoria trailed at half time 26 to 24.

Teams and scores follow:—Vancouver—Baker (6), Lawn (12), Osterhouse (8), Peden (15), Nicol (3), Vaughn (2), Chapman (9).

Astoria—Wirkkunen (6), Anderson (6), Hays (14), Howard (13), Warren (2), Palmberg (2).

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Woodward Appeals
For Recognition
Of American Stud

YORK, Eng. (AP)—William Woodward, U.S. thoroughbred owner, today renewed his appeal for world recognition of the American stud book, declaring that race horses bred in the United States are "equal to any in the world."

Woodward's three-year-old colt, Black Tarquin, won the Gimcrack Stakes at the York race meeting last August but the Maryland horseman was unable to make the trip to attend the annual dinner of the Gimcrack Club.

Instead, he sent a speech which was read by the Marquess of Zetland in reply to the toast to the winner.

Woodward, who has bred and raced numerous champions both in his own country and abroad, has appealed repeatedly for repeal of the rule, instituted in 1913, which excludes from the English general stud book horses whose ancestry, both sires and dams, were not registered in previous volumes.

His requests have been denied on the grounds the book is a record of ancestry and not of track performance.

FIGHT RESULTS

ELIZABETH, N.J. (AP)—Ray "Sugar" Robinson, 151½, New York, T.E.O., Billy Nixon, 149½, Philadelphia, 6. (Non-title.)

MILWAUKEE (AP)—Jacule Darthard, 160, Kansas City, outpointed Cecil Hudson, 158, Milwaukee, 10.

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Sports
Mirror

By PETE SALLAWAY

LATEST WORD ON the current controversy over the proposal to change control of sport salmon fishing in tidal waters from federal authority to provincial jurisdiction comes from the mainland, where members of the Greater Vancouver Salmon Club expressed themselves solidly opposed to the plan. The mainland club decided to place itself on the same side of the fence as the Victoria-Saanich Inlet Anglers' Association. The mainland sportsmen gathered to talk over the proposed changes in regulations governing sport salmon angling also were in favor of removing the regulation which allows five salmon per rod daily from June 1 to January.

ALSO OF INTEREST is an editorial which appeared in the Vancouver News-Herald on the subject. I quote: "Salt water fishing, sport and commercial, is at present under the jurisdiction of the department of fisheries at Ottawa. Effective control is exercised by the chief supervisor of fisheries in Vancouver. Speaking generally, it can be said that the department and the chief supervisor have done a good job. From time to time, commercial fishery problems come up for consideration between the operators and the department and almost invariably a fair measure of understanding is reached. There is little, if any, dissatisfaction with the department's handling of sport fishing."

THE PROPOSAL TO create dual control of salt water fishing by transferring the sport branch to provincial jurisdiction, should be considered against the background of present satisfaction. Not infrequently, the best of all operational rules is to leave well enough alone.

UNDER PRESENT management, salt water sport fishing is as free as the ocean itself. Rich and poor, old and young, can seek health and relaxation along our shoreline without money and without price. There are restrictions as to the number of fish that may be taken. But there are no restrictions on the right to fish without seeking permit or license. That right is priceless and should be handed down as a cherished heritage to the oncoming generations.

PURPOSE OF THE suggested transfer to provincial jurisdiction is to bring sport fishing under a fee and license system. If the present system didn't work so well, it would be opportune to give the suggestion due consideration. But the present system does work well. Important areas have been reserved for the exclusive use of sports fishermen. The commercial fisheries are well provided, and there is unity and co-ordination of control. There appear to be no public service reasons for the proposed change.

FROM THE AMOUNT of opposition which sportsmen are raising to the proposal there is every indication its backers are going to have a tough time putting the plan across. With the members of the salmon fishing clubs banding together in their efforts to block the proposal and the idea being frowned on by the federal department of fisheries it looks very much as if the opposing votes will kill the changeover move for the present at least.

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Fights Mark Toronto-Detroit Hockey

Outbreak Sees Goalies Engaged; Veteran Lach Brilliant For Canadiens

Old Santa Claus gave a special preview of the National Hockey League last night. It could only have been old Santa who fixed it so that the tail-end Chicago Black Hawks beat Boston Bruins, and each of the other four teams got a point apiece.

If old Santa had been truly impartial he would have split the points between Chicago and Boston too, but who could resist giving the Hawks a lift?

What happened was that Detroit Red Wings and Toronto Maple Leafs tied 2 to 2; Montreal Canadiens and New York Rangers tied 4 to 4; and on their

home ice Chicago just edged Boston by 6 to 5.

That leaves Toronto five points in the lead over Boston and Detroit, Canadiens are three points back of the second-place duo, and still two points ahead of Rangers. And Chicago is well and truly in the cellar, six points behind the Rangers.

At Detroit the Wings scored the first, by Sid Abel, and Harry Watson's shot tied it up, but Detroit were ahead again on Ted Lindsay's goal before the first period ended. Max Bentley scored the tying goal in the second period.

The Olympia ice was dotted with a half-a-dozen fist fights in the second period after Ted Lindsay checked Gord Morton into the boards. Gord Howe of Detroit and Wild Bill Ezinicki of Leafs starred in the fistie melee, which even had rival goalies Harry Lumley and Burl Tuck Broda way up at the blue-line, attending to each other personally. Lindsay, Morton, Howe and Ezinicki were handed major penalties.

At New York, Rangers tied the game with 30 seconds left as Grant Warwick scored from a goal-mouth scramble. Elmer Lach

gave the Canadiens a first period 1 to 0 lead. In the second, Frankie Eddolls tied it up, only to have Lach score another and Rip Riepelle make it 3 to 1. Then in the third Cal Gardner, who hadn't scored a goal all season, potted two within four minutes, and Lach promptly put Canadiens once more on top with his third goal of the night. Warwick's tying goal was off assists from Lach and Eddolls.

At Chicago Doug Bentley and George Gae sent the Hawks into a 2 to 0 lead. Taylor got one back and Bill Mosienko, just back on the ice after his long lay-off with

a busted ankle, promptly made it 3 to 1. Big Ed Sandford cut the margin to 3 to 2 before the first period was over.

In the second period Natrass scored for Chicago, Sandford once more for Boston, and Alex Kaleta for Chicago again. That left it 5 to 3 for Chicago going into the final period. It was just 33 seconds old when Roy Conacher scored Chicago's sixth, and then the Hawks were put through the wringer. Ronty and Kent Smith scored for Boston, making it 6 to 5 for the Hawks, but the Bruins couldn't get the tying goal.

Walker's Long One
Gives Legion Win

Trailing by 10 points with only five minutes left to play, an underdog Canadian Legion hoop quintette pulled the surprise of the cage season at the High School gym last night when they staged a brilliant rally in the dying moments to tally 12 straight points and take a thrilling 33 to 31 decision from the league-leading Y.M.C.A. club.

A basket by Junior Fox, two free shots by Ralph Baker, and a 35-foot field goal by Sonny Walker in the final minute and 20 seconds with the deciding shot by Walker in the air as the final bell sounded climaxed the terrific uphill fight by the Vets.

The victory came as a surprise to the small crowd in attendance as the Legion had been unable to win a game in their first four league starts and only last Saturday captured their first points of the year with a decision over K.V.'s.

Result leaves Y.M.C.A. still atop the league with four wins and two losses. K.V.'s are second with three victories and Legion third with two wins.

The "Y" took the lead in the low-scoring fixture, scoring the first six points, and taking a 12 to 9 margin at the quarter. Each team counted eight points in the second period to give "Y" a 21 to 18 edge at the breather.

Vets failed to hit the hoop for a field goal in the third canto as the "Y" put up a strong defensive to hold the eventual winners to two gift tosses and take a 29 to 20 lead entering the final quarter.

Busher Jackson's field goal as opposed to one free shot for Legion put the association club ahead 31 to 21 at the five-minute mark of the period to set the stage for Legion's game winning rally.

Fox and Walker, each with 11 points, paced the winners with

Hall Of Fame For Canada's
Amateur Athletes Planned

MONTREAL (CP)—A proposal that Canada inaugurate an amateur hall of fame, where sports greats of past years, the present and the future will find a niche, comes from George C. Machum, president of the Amateur Athletic Union of Canada.

In a letter to the Canadian Press, Machum said that as A.A.U. of C. president he was "proposing to all amateur sport governing bodies in Canada that steps be taken to inaugurate a Canadian amateur athletic hall of fame to which will be elected a carefully selected group of Canada's amateur athletic greats down through the years since amateur sport was first placed on an organized basis in the Dominion."

"I invite all interested amateur sport executives across the country to correspond with me on this subject," Machum wrote. "When a sufficient show of interest is received a meeting will be arranged to go into the matter carefully."

Canada already has one hall of fame, for hockey's immortals, but the A.A.U. of C. president's proposal would cover all sports, though restricted naturally to amateur players.

"My idea is to give recognition to some of the old-timers who helped place Canada on the sports map," Machum said in an interview. "And at the same time I believe a hall of fame would be an incentive to young athletes who will be the greats of tomorrow."

Listless Ice Game

REGINA (CP)—Regina Caps Wednesday advanced within two points of the pace-setting Calgary Stampers in the Western Canadian Senior Hockey League by turning back the tail-end Saskatoon Quakers 3 to 1 in an often listless, draggy contest. The victory gave Caps 25 points.

Boston Sox Swing
Another Big Deal
To Secure Spence

NEW YORK (AP)—The Joe Cronin-Joe McCarthy combination exploded another Boston Red Sox bombshell on the American League Wednesday by luring outfielder Stan Spence from Washington for second baseman Al Kozar and outfielder Leon Culberson.

Although this deal involving a minor league infielder and a run-of-the-mill outfielder for an established regular would seem to call for a cash outlay by Boston, general manager Cronin of the Red Sox insisted no money changed hands.

Addition of Spence following the purchase of shortstop Vern Stephens, and pitchers Jack Kramer and Ellis Kinder from St. Louis would seem firmly to establish manager McCarthy's Sox as "the club to beat" in 1948.

McCarthy said he probably would alternate Spence, a 279-hitter with Washington in 147 games with Sam Mele, Boston's rookie sensation of 1947. Spence hits left and Mele bats right, an ideal switch combination.

In return for Spence who is 32, the Sox gave a likely-looking young infielder to Washington in Kozar who hit .340 for the Red Sox' Southern Association farm at New Orleans. Culberson, a 28-year-old fancy fielder who batted .238 in 47 games for the Sox, is a capable centre fielder.

Robinson's Goal
Earns Seattle
Overtime Victory

Bill Robinson's backhand shot from 10 feet out after 6:56 of an overtime period gave the free-wheeling Seattle Ironmen a 3 to 2 decision over the Portland Eagles last night.

Robinson scored the spectacular game-winner despite the best efforts of Portland goalie Craig McClelland, who made 42 saves in his best game of the season.

It was the Ironmen's seventh straight in their latest win streak. The game was particularly galling to the Eagles, who have failed to win from Seattle in seven games this season. Portland took a 2 to 0 lead only to see the Ironmen tie it up in the third on two goals by Cy Rouse.

The Los Angeles Monarchs overtook the Vancouver Canucks by rapping in three, third-period goals for a 6 to 5 margin; the San Francisco Shamrocks scored twice in the last period to clobber the cellar dwelling San Diego Skyhawks 3 to 2; and the Tacoma Rockets staved off the rushing New Westminster Royals 7 to 5.

Lach Gains Ground
In Hockey Scoring

Syl Apps, Toronto, picked up an assist last night against Detroit to maintain his five-point lead in the National Hockey League scoring race. Elmer Lach of Montreal scored three goals against New York to move into a tie with Detroit's Ted Lindsay for second place. They each have 22 points, five behind Apps.

Leaders follow:

Apps, Toronto	25
Lindsay, Detroit	22
Lach, Montreal	22
Richard, Montreal	10
McPadden, Detroit	9
O'Connor, New York	11
D. Bentler, Chicago	9

Two Soccer Tilts On
Week-end Schedule

Two games are scheduled in the Victoria and District Soccer League this week-end as second-half play gets under way.

Victoria West, first-half titleholders, meet their arch-rivals, Canadian Legion in Saturday's match at Athletic Park and Oak Bay clash with Esquimalt in the Sunday contest at the same park. Both games will start at 2:15.

High School Ruggers
Hold College To Draw

Although the score will go down in the record books as Victoria High 3, Victoria College 3, in the annual Kiwanis Cup rugby battle between the two schools at Victoria High grounds yesterday afternoon, in the minds of the large crowd of students on hand at the game, Victoria High deserve at least a moral victory over their heavier and more experienced rivals.

Facing a team composed of players from the city intermediate league plus the addition of three senior players, whose calibre has earned them a tryout for the Crimson Tide, Victoria High put up a scrappy performance.

Hockey Standings

	N.H.L.	W.	L.	T.	P.	A.	Pts.
Toronto	9	7	3	68	52	23	
Boston	9	7	3	68	52	23	
Detroit	10	7	3	61	55	23	
Canadiens	8	9	3	51	50	20	
Rangers	6	9	2	63	72	18	
Chicago	5	14	2	70	101	12	

Hockey Summaries

CHICAGO-BOSTON
First Period—1, Chicago, Bentley (Goldham, Dickson), 2:27; 2, Chicago, Gae (Bentley), 7:42; 3, Boston, Taylor (Carveth, Babando), 13:17; 4, Chicago, Mosienko (Dickson, Bentley), 15:10; 5, Boston, Bentford (K. Smith, Ronty), 17:25. Penalties: None.
Second Period—6, Chicago, Natrass (Prystay, Polio), 1:30; 7, Boston, Sandford (Crawford, Ronty), 16:11; 8, Chicago, Kaleta (Dickson), 14:21. Penalties: Taylor, Conacher.
Third Period—9, Chicago, Conacher (Brown, Kaleta), 6:33; 10, Boston, Ronty (Dumart, Wilson), 3:57; 11, Boston, Ronty (Bentford, Hainault), 17:18. Penalties: Goldham, Gaddy.
CANADIENS-RANGERS
First Period—1, Montreal, Lach, 7:56. Penalties: Harmon and Leavitt.
Second Period—2, New York, Eddolls (Lach), 2:22; 3, Montreal, Lach (Blake, Heardon), 15:01; 4, Montreal, Peters (Riepelle, Lezer), 19:59. Penalties: Reardon, Trudel.
Third Period—5, New York, Gardner (O'Connor, Leavitt), 11:30; 7, Montreal, Lach, 12:05; 8, New York, Warwick (Lach, Eddolls), 12:26. Penalties: Judd, Lucas, Lach, Harmon.
DETROIT-TORONTO
First Period—1, Detroit, Abel (Lindsay), 1:15; 2, Toronto, Watson (Bentley, Apps), 14:38; 3, Detroit, Lindsay (Kelly), 16:03. Penalties: McGee, Kennedy, Stewart.
Second Period—4, Toronto, Bentley (Barlow, Kennedy), 2:06. Penalties: Kennedy, McGee, Kennedy, Lindsay (major), Hope (major), Morton (major), Ezinicki (major).
Third Period—Scoring: None. Penalties: None.

Waterfowl Winter
Survey Plans Made

WASHINGTON (AP)—The United States Fish and Wildlife Service has completed plans for the most thorough study of waterfowl wintering areas ever attempted. Cecil S. Williams, chief of waterfowl management investigations, said today.

The survey for the first time will extend through the West Indies and possibly into the northern end of South America. Williams told a reporter.

Simultaneously, similar surveys will be under way throughout the United States and in Canada and Alaska, and "prospects are bright for the most satisfactory winter inventory ever made."

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Minor Robberies Work Of Juveniles

City police are on the lookout for juveniles who are believed to be responsible for petty thefts which have occurred in Victoria during the week.

The Shell Oil gas station at Yates and For Streets has been broken into twice this week. Boys are suspected of having committed this and other minor and attempted robberies.

Douglas Fraser reported to police yesterday that three lighters, valued at \$24, were stolen from the Globe Newstand, Yates Street. He suspects two boys who came into the shop and were looking at a camera in the window. When they left the lighters were found missing.

R. Johnson, 2310 Shakespeare Street, told the station that he disturbed two youths who were in the act of prowling his car parked outside the house before 8 last night. He reports nothing missing.

Constable W. W. Calwell telephoned the station at 7 last night reporting an attempted entry of the Stan-Pat service station on Oak Bay Avenue. Sgt. Walter Andrews and Detectives Fearon Woodburn and Alex Briggs attended. The front door window had been broken—similar to the

Conservation Of Natural Resources Lecture Subject

"Conservation of Natural Resources" was the subject of Dr. David Turner in addressing the Victoria Natural History Society. Conservation, the speaker explained, does not mean not using the country's natural resources, but does mean not abusing them. In parts of B.C. where forests have been cut, marshes and swamps can still hold sufficient water to keep the land useful; but in some areas swamps are being drained to make more arable land and, in time, large areas will become useless for want of water. Such land, he said, is termed "sick." Waste in perishable foodstuffs between the soil and the consumer, Dr. Turner said, has been estimated at not less than 20 per cent. In leafy vegetables it is 43 per cent.

Over many thousands of years, said the speaker, the animal and vegetable world has evolved a natural balancing scheme. By destroying, for some reason man thinks good, the balance or unity of nature, a delicately balanced plan, is upset. The government, he said, now believes too many kinds of birds and animals have been lost.

Mink Breeders

B. H. Lamont was elected president of the Vancouver Island Mink Breeders' Association at the annual meeting of the organization held here. F. Brown was named vice-president and J. R. Noble secretary. President Lamont and Bert Andrews will represent the island group at the meetings of the B.C. Fur Breeders' Association in Vancouver.

Several Vancouver Island ranchers, it was stated, have volunteered to donate mink to the newly-formed research department at the University of B.C. to supplement those donated by mainland ranchers.

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Snow Here Will Be New Experience For Australian Mother

To Mrs. Nancy Gibson of Sydney, N.S.W., Australia, now staying at the home of Victor Salter, 3276 Linwood Avenue, the sight of snow at Christmas would be a unique experience.

Mrs. Gibson, who arrived recently from "down-under" with her eight-month-old baby flew from Sydney to Victoria, a distance of about 6,400 miles in less than four days. She came here to join her husband, whom she married a year ago in New Zealand.

"We never get snow in Sydney," she said in revealing that until her arrival here she had never seen an evergreen tree.

She said Canadians made more of Christmas than Australians. "You seem to celebrate the Yuletide season more than we do," she said. "Perhaps that is due to the climate. My people spend their Christmas holiday outdoors, either swimming or surfing."

According to Mrs. Gibson, newborn babies receive a warm welcome in Australia. The government gives \$15 for every baby born.

Mrs. Gibson is of the opinion that Australia is farther advanced in the care of babies. She said that fully-trained nurses in mothercraft were always on duty at clinics, which were open every day of the week.

"The clinics are open to rich and poor," she said. "If a mother is too poor to buy her child nourishing food, the clinic undertakes to feed the baby."

She said that Australian health authorities were not in favor of feeding children on canned food, a practice which is now recognized in the United States and Canada. "My mother would have a fit if she knew I was feeding the baby on canned food," she said.

Mrs. Gibson traveled by Australian National Airways and was given a certificate when she crossed the Equator. The baby, she said, had to wear an oxygen mask when they flew north from San Francisco.

One Victoria Firm Only Island Company Formed During Week

One new Victoria company, Ingledew's (Victoria) Ltd., capitalized at \$10,000, was among 26 companies registered under the Companies Act at the Parliament Buildings during the week ended today.

The Victoria firm is the only new Vancouver Island registration for the week.

From Vancouver there were registered: Kamloops Investment Co. Ltd., \$3,000, no par value; Peace River Natural Gas Co. Ltd., 150,000 shares, no par value; Pointier of Canada Ltd., \$10,000; Continental Dri Ice Refrigeration Ltd., \$250,000; Massett Shipyards Ltd., \$10,000; the Margaret Private Hospital Ltd., \$10,000; Litekraft Ltd., \$75,000; Taylor & White Ltd., 100,000 shares, no par value; Rogers Assets Ltd., \$5,000 and 50 shares, no par value; Kent Chemicals Ltd., \$20,000; Vancouver Finance Co. Ltd., \$100,000; Gauley Bros. Ltd., \$20,000; Associated Products Ltd., \$50,000; Pocklington's Ltd., \$20,000; Painter's Fishing Resort Ltd., 10,000 shares, no par value; Aykroast Co. Ltd., \$25,000; and Vogue Cafe Holdings Ltd., \$50,000.

From elsewhere in B.C. there were registered: Newton Hat cherries Ltd., \$50,000; Surrey Star Savinville Ltd., \$10,000; Grand Forks Kalam Island Stages Ltd., \$25,000; Prince Rupert; Roseau Bros. Ltd., 10,000 shares, no par value; Canim Lake; R. A. MacDonald Logging Ltd., \$150,000; Mission City; Knight & Giles Ltd., \$10,000; and Cariboo Construction Co. Ltd., \$50,000; Prince George; and Douglas Lumber Co. Ltd., \$25,000, New Westminster.

Extra-provincially M. & M. Army Stores Ltd., \$20,000, was registered with head office in Edmonton and head B.C. office in Dawson Creek.

The New Life Publications Society, and North Vancouver Motorevel Club, Vancouver, and Cordova Bay Community Club, Victoria, were registered under the Societies Act.

Rev. Ronald Winstanley of the Evangelical Union of South America has just completed a tour of the western states, and is visiting Victoria for two days. While staying with his parents, who reside in the city, he will also address meetings tonight and Friday in Central Baptist Church.

Funeral Notice

The funeral of the late Comrade James Lighthill, R.P.A., will take place Saturday afternoon, December 13, at 3 o'clock, from Hayward's B.C. Funeral Chapel, Members of Britannia Branch No. 4, Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L. and Ladies' Auxiliary are requested to attend.

R. R. COZENS, Secretary.

Looks Good But It's Phony



Secret Service agent Harry Anheier examines some of the bogus money taken from four men arraigned on counterfeiting charges in Chicago. The ring is said to have printed more than \$600,000 in fake \$5, \$10 and \$20 bills. The Secret Service estimated that \$200,000 of the bogus money is floating around the country in the hands of "passers" and innocent dupes.

Builders Insist Arena Will Not Be Completed By September

A warning that the Memorial Arena probably will not be finished by Sept. 20, 1948, the date tentatively set for the official opening, was given in a letter from the Victoria Builders' Exchange, signed by G. H. Wheaton, president, to the Arena Commission.

Mr. Wheaton also, in the course of his letter, issued a denial that it was at the request of Victoria builders that the contract was issued piecemeal to different contractors.

He stressed that at the time it was first decided to let the contract in this fashion the Builders' Exchange had written a letter to the City Council advising that no work be done until final costs had been determined and the approval of the taxpayers received. "The contractors were apparently the only interested group in this community who were afraid that the cost of the arena would amount to \$500,000 or more instead of the \$215,000 originally provided," he commented.

TO SATISFY IMPATIENCE

Mr. Wheaton charged "the real reason behind the letting of a partial contract was the fact that complete plans and specifications were not ready and it was felt that a start on the excavation and footings would satisfy the

Egg Record In U.S.

WASHINGTON (AP)—The government's eggless, Thursdays to save food didn't mean a thing to hens of the United States in November. The agriculture department today reported egg production last month was the largest on record for the month of November, totaling 274,200,000 dozen.

The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers have queried the outcome of their 1946 request for amendments to the Municipal Act which would enable civic bodies to exercise control over wiring installations in the same manner as plumbing is regulated. They informed the City Council that conditions have not improved during the past 12 months and would like further action to be taken.

FUNNY BUSINESS

By Hershberger



St. Barnabas Nativity Play Well Received

A Nativity Play, telling in reverent and dramatic manner the age-old story of the First Christmas, was presented as an act of worship before an impressed congregation in St. Barnabas Church Wednesday night, by the St. Barnabas Players, and will be presented again tonight and Saturday night at 8.30.

An explanatory talk of "Mother Church" opened the production and interest of the audience was held until the final act "Young Christian." Use of pageantry in teaching in the very early days of the church was shown in the play.

Complete sincerity and dignified restraint marked the production as religious drama at its best. The roles of "Mary" and the youngest shepherd lad were notably handled. Subdued lighting and effective costuming did much to create the atmosphere of the production, which was enhanced by the clear enunciation of the moving lines of the script. The manger scene was one of the play's highlights with the humble gifts of the shepherds given with a great simplicity. An effective tableau was that in which the "Angel Gabriel" is shown placing upon the blue head veil of "Mary" the wreaths of flowers from the halos of the angels.

Carols were sung off-stage by a small group from the Normal School, to a soft organ accompaniment.

A brief forward to the production was given by Rev. E. Munn, rector of St. Barnabas Church, in which he told the audience that in as much as the presentation was not given as an ordinary theatrical production, no names were mentioned on the program as was usually done. He said players and director preferred to be participants in a service rather than player upon a stage.

Air Raid Defence To Be Learned By Whole Population

LONDON (AP)—Every adult and child in Britain will be trained for self-protection against air attack in the atom age under a government plan to reorganize the civil defence service.

A highly mobile, full-time force will be available at short notice for duty in any part of the country, to augment civilian groups.

A new civil defence service, to be planned by a joint staff, was disclosed today in a Home Office memorandum which said: "After a major attack on a large centre of population, the task of civil defence will be so onerous that every able bodied man will be required to make some contribution to the measures of relief and restoration."

A white paper said 1,027,000 of the 56,000,000 acres of land in Britain will be retained for use by the navy, army and Royal Air Force and for military research and training.

2 Dead, 3 Missing In Texas Train Wreck; Much Mail Burned

NEW BRAUNFELS, Tex. (AP)—Two Missouri-Texas passenger trains collided head-on near here Wednesday night and exploded into flames, killing two trainmen, injuring nine other persons and leaving three men missing, two of them crew members and the other a railroad inspector.

The two trains ran together 10 miles south of here at 11.43 p.m., the locomotives stacking on top of each other and front cars telescoping.

Those killed were Jack B. Coleman, fireman of Waco, Tex., about 28, and George W. Stainthorpe, a trainman from San Antonio, Tex.

Missing was engineer Roy Calaway, about 60, of Smithville, and a negro porter.

Railroad officials said a railroad inspector, not otherwise identified, was aboard one of the baggage or mail cars and there was no trace of him.

ENGINEERS CONFUSED

Mickey Pattillo, special agent for the railroad, said the two engineers "evidently got their orders mixed up."

Portions of the trains were engulfed in flames following the collision and pieces of the engine boilers were blown several hundred yards into a nearby field.

Three of 11 cars on the north-bound train were destroyed and five of the other cars burned.

Both trains were heavily loaded with Christmas mail. An estimated 1,800 sacks of mail burned, and another 1,800 were saved.

Victoria Father's Medal Presented To 4-Year-Old Son



F.L.T. C. G. MITCHELL

A four-year-old Victoria boy stood before Viscount Alexander, Governor-General of Canada, at Rideau Hall Wednesday to receive the Distinguished Flying Cross, won by his father, F.L.T. C. G. Mitchell, who was shot down overseas.

As the son, Kenneth Mitchell, stood before the Governor-General, he heard Viscount Alexander say, "In the name of His Majesty the King... I give you this medal which your father won."

Then the famous British soldier bent down with a smile to hand the medal to the small boy.

Kenneth made the trip to Ottawa with his mother from here to receive the award.

F.L.T. Mitchell, who was with the Pathfinder Force, was reported missing March 7, 1945, while on his 46th operational flight with the force. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Julian Mitchell, live at 885 Craigflower Road.

The D.F.C. was presented to H. W. Blenkinsop, 1076 Joan Crescent, for his son, the late Squadron Leader E. W. Blenkinsop, who was reported missing in 1944. He had seen service in New Zealand and North Africa and with the Alouette Squadron over Germany.

Fire Royal Salute

A 21-gun salute, in commemoration of the ascension of King George VI to the throne, was fired from a saluting point on Belleville Street at noon today by members of the Coast Artillery, West Coast R.C.A. (Active Force), with four 25-pounder field guns under the command of Lieut. L. E. Sparks, R.C.A.

Bethlehem Cantata At St. Andrew's

The story of the first Christmas was told in song at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Wednesday night, when the church choir and soloists presented Maunders' Christmas cantata "Bethlehem."

C. C. Warren directed the choir from the console of the organ and the well-trained choristers entered into the spirit of the work with good understanding of the narrative.

Particularly effective was the portrayal of the caravan crossing the desert and the choruses of "Glory to God in the Highest," "Adoration and Praise."

Opening solo was rendered by Miss Kay Paulin in Part 1, which depicted a beautiful starlit night on the plains of Bethlehem. Tenor solos were by S. Honeychurch and an incidental solo by Miss Pamela Newton. Part 2, entitled the "Kings' Gifts," brought the audience a picture of the kings traveling through the desert. Solos were by Messrs. John Bell, S. Honeychurch and Mr. Davies.

Part 3, "Our Gift," depicting the scene before the inn at Bethlehem, featured a lullaby solo sung by Miss Paulin. A baritone solo by A. W. Trevett was followed by choir choruses.

Rev. J. L. W. McLean, minister of St. Andrew's, opened the recital with a scripture and closed it with benediction.

Jail For Drunk In Spite Of Plea

A steady visitor to Oakalla for repeated offences of intoxication in a public place found Magistrate H. C. Hall's hands tied when he made a plea for leniency because he had secured work from now to the Christmas holidays, "the first work I've been able to get in months."

"I have no alternative but to sentence you to 20 days in jail at hard labor," said the magistrate. This was because the man was a third-timer for this offence. For a first conviction there is a \$10 fine, \$25 for the second and the third has no fine alternative.

The Mayors Fund for Parcels for Britain today received a cheque for \$50.50 from the Jordan River Knitting Club. They also made a collection of groceries which they are sending to Victoria, Mrs. George Mitchell, secretary, said in the covering letter.



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**B.C. Loses Case
In Supreme Court**

OTTAWA (CP)—The Attorney-General of British Columbia lost an appeal before the Supreme Court of Canada Wednesday in the case of Robert Belton of Vancouver, convicted last April of illegally possessing a .45-calibre revolver. The case concerned Belton's right to withdraw a plea of guilty.

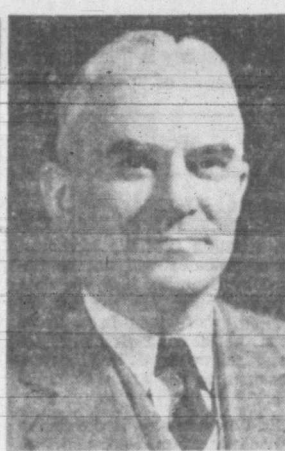
Belton pleaded guilty to the charge at that time, and later applied to the magistrate to have the plea disregarded. The magistrate refused but the B.C. Appeal Court ordered a new trial. The Attorney-General's department appealed that decision, but the new trial for Belton was assured by Wednesday's judgment.

They'll Do It Every Time**Victoria Native Son Celebrates Birthday,
Election As Liberal Leader On Same Day**

Byron Ingevar "Boss" Johnson, grey-haired, ruddy-faced, affable, courteous, a native son of Victoria, Wednesday celebrated his 57th birthday and his selection as provincial Liberal leader. He will be sworn in as Premier of British Columbia before Christmas.

The new leader was born in Victoria on Dec. 10, 1890. His parents, both of Icelandic origin, named him Byron Ingevar, but he is known to everybody now, and has been for years, as Boss. At Boys' Central School, Boss was an outstanding athlete, playing rugby, lacrosse and other games. But he was so fond of lacrosse and so good at the game that in 1912 he turned professional, signing a contract for \$1,200 for 10 games. He collected the sum even though the league folded up after two games. During the First World War, Boss went overseas and served with the Imperial Army's 33rd Field Ambulance. By the last year of the war he was in the R.A.F., taking instruction in England.

Returning to Victoria at the



PREMIER-ELECT JOHNSON

age of 29, with a little borrowed money, Boss went into the trucking and building supply business with his brother Johnny. Today Boss heads eight companies doing one of the largest trucking and building supply businesses in the province.

IN POLITICS IN 1933

For 10 years following the First World War Boss concentrated most of his energy on his business. It was not until 1933 that he ventured into politics.

That year, when the Liberals won a landslide which sent the Conservatives down to defeat from which they have never recovered, Boss Johnson topped the poll in Victoria for the seat in the provincial legislature, drawing a better majority than his running mate, John Hart, who in 1941 became Premier. Another leader was born politically that day in the same riding. He was Herbert Anscomb, now leader of the Conservative wing of the Coalition administration and B.C.'s finance minister.

Victoria, which had so strongly endorsed him in 1933, rejected Boss firmly in 1937 when he stood for re-election here while a resident of New Westminster. Boss did not return to the political arena until 1945, for he was too busy during the war.

Boss's big war job was as representative of Air Minister Power in connection with the building of air bases which now form part of Canada's western defences. He served as a technical adviser to the minister and his deputy, reporting directly to Ottawa on progress of the various airport building projects and construction of airdromes and buildings. This work won him the M.B.E.

MAINLAND SEAT

With the death of Lands Minister A. Wells Gray, Boss won the Coalition nomination in New Westminster for the by-election and his election was assured. He defeated his C.C.F. opponent two votes to one, but he did not sit in the provincial legislature without having to campaign all over again, for that fall Premier Hart called a general election. Again Boss won easily.

Politically Boss has described himself as a "Liberal Socialist," which suggests he probably identifies himself with the element which favors generous social services within the framework of the free-enterprise system.

During a pre-convention trip around the province, Mr. Johnson had stressed the need for old-age pension improvement and a low-purchase housing project.

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A complete Voters' List will be hung in each Polling Station for the convenience of those Voters ascertain as to which Ward their name appears. Information regarding the Voters' List may be obtained by telephoning the Municipal Hall, Garden 4108 or Colquhoun St.

JOHN B. TRIBE
Returning Officer.

Notice to Saanich Electors

Re: Library Referendum

The Saanich Municipal Council is submitting a Referendum at the Elections on Saturday, December 13th, 1947, on the following question:

"Are you in favor of the Municipality entering into an Agreement with the Victoria Public Library Board to furnish Library services at a cost not to exceed \$2.00 per property owner per annum?"

In levying the annual charge the following will apply:

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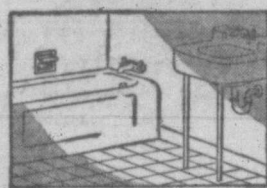
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Five Men, One Woman Candidate Address Esquimalt Meeting

Five men and one woman, candidates for three seats on the Esquimalt Council, gave brief addresses before a small but attentive audience at a public meeting in the Municipal Hall Wednesday night, following the reports of stewardship of Reeve A. I. Thomas and members of the 1947 council.

Speakers were: Councillor G. R. Guillemaud: Seeking re-election this year, Councillor Guillemaud gave an account of his term and his work as chairman of the fire and lights committee.

FIRE AND LIGHTS

He outlined efforts made to bring the fire department up to standards set by the B.C. Underwriters' Association, which would allow council to ask for a reduction of insurance rates in the municipality. The fire department is now manned 24 hours a day; fire calls are received on a direct telephone line at the fire hall and off-duty men may be called by telephone. Fire drills by firemen and police are being held regularly and inspections made under the Fire Marshal Act and municipal by-laws totaled 176 to date this year as compared with 77 in 1946.

"All apartment, boarding and

rooming houses are now licensed and regular inspections of these premises are made." Councillor Guillemaud said. "Total value of buildings and contents involved in fires attended by the department amounted to \$96,250 this year to date, compared with \$133,300 for 1946."

PARKS, PLAYGROUNDS

Councillor C. H. Smith: Also seeking re-election to office was Councillor Smith, who gave a brief resume of the work of the parks and playgrounds committee and lands committee of which he is a member.

"Sixty-nine parcels of reverted land were sold during the year, realizing the sum of \$15,305, with most of the land sold to veterans at the reduced purchase price," he said. "A total of 136 building permits were taken out and 79 for new homes, representing a total construction value of \$431,769."

He referred to his notice of motion at the last council meeting to ask that Esquimalt tax beer parlors, stating that all the municipality received from the three beer parlors was a total of \$30 in license fees. He told of the hard-surfacing of the Memorial Park playing pitch and of the cultivating and discing of Bullen's Park. Playground equipment was supplied to Colville Road Park, he said.

PROBLEMS AHEAD

Earl M. Briggs: Realization that there would be trials and tribulations for the municipality and municipal administration in the next few years, was expressed by Mr. Briggs.

"I can assure you I will work for the good of the municipality if elected," said Mr. Briggs, who told the audience he had been a property owner in the municipality for many years though absent considerable time, while

a member of the permanent force Canadian Navy, from which he is now retired. A. H. Dobson: Unable to be present, Mr. Dobson sent word through the chairman, Charles Beadnell, that he had served Esquimalt in the past and was willing to do so in the future.

OPPOSES AMALGAMATION

William H. Dallaway: Discussing the question of amalgamation, to which he said he was opposed, candidate Dallaway suggested Greater Victoria follow the pattern of London, England, where each borough takes care of matters in its own particular locality.

"I don't think amalgamation will ever come about for I don't believe Oak Bay will sacrifice her good financial position," he said.

He spoke of "mistakes in the past" with regard to lowering of taxes in boom years, and said taxes should be increased during a boom to take care of maintenance in less prosperous times. He advocated the rounding of many Esquimalt road corners, while properties concerned are still vacant.

COUNCIL SUPPORT

Fred H. Higgins: An undertaking to support the reeve and council in all measures which he felt would benefit the taxpayers and the municipality, was given by candidate Higgins.

"I retired from the permanent army in 1943 and feel that I now have both the time and energy to devote to the work of councillor," he said.

WOMAN CANDIDATE

Mrs. Annie McVie: Stating that it was something new for a woman to run for council in Esquimalt, Mrs. McVie referred to her work on the school board and with the Esquimalt Community Club.

"I feel there is much work to be done among the old people and if elected will do my best for the benefit of the municipality in which we live," Mrs. McVie said. "I can give my time to the welfare and betterment of Esquimalt."

Esquimalt Reeve, Councillors Report On Year's Work

Strong support for the proposed metropolitan water board as "essential for this part of Vancouver Island," was given by Reeve A. I. Thomas in a report of his stewardship in Esquimalt, at a public meeting, in the municipal hall, Wednesday night.

The transportation system, sewer financing, Yarrow's assessment and the Kinver drainage project were all discussed in the reeve's report.

"I do not believe it is the right of any body to have control of the water supply for the entire end of Vancouver Island, as it is today," he said. "Victoria is taking all the materials for development in its own area but with a metropolitan water board, there would be no partiality. It would be a non-profit scheme all the way through."

TRANSPORTATION

On the question of transportation, he said the present system was not perfect. He said he failed to see the efficiency of the Colville, Munro and Esquimalt buses following directly behind one another as he had noticed one day, with no bus then for a 12-minute period. He said an attempt would be made to have the situation rectified.

"We have a very difficult situation with regard to sewers," he said. "Over a 50-year period we are paying \$1,000,000 in interest on a \$400,000 loan."

Money was borrowed in 1913 for the Esquimalt Sewerage at 5 per cent over a 50-year period. He said that \$20,000 a year in interest alone must be met. Bonds bearing 3 per cent interest helped the municipality in the difficulty but did not overcome it, he said.

People of Esquimalt will be given an opportunity to express their opinion on the proposed Sanich sewage system when Sanich brings plans to the municipality, the reeve said. He said: "We are going to try to understand one another's difficulties."

Referring to Yarrow's Shipyard protest of their assessment and subsequent reduction of the assessment following court action, Reeve Thomas said it left the municipality in an awkward financial position for months, with the result that the public works department had to suffer.

ELLIS ON PUBLIC WORKS

Councillor J. A. Ellis, chairman of the public works committee, reported that 1947 was one of the most difficult the municipality had to face, with increased cost of labor and materials and necessary postponements of some sidewalk projects.

On the statistics side, he said 5½ miles of new streets were completed and improvements made to Esquimalt Road: 3,200 feet of new asphalt was laid and 1,200 feet of new sewers.

Purchase of a cement mixer enabled the municipality to make its own concrete pipes for the Kinver drainage project effecting a saving of \$1,800, Councillor Ellis said. Forty concrete manholes and covers were constructed by the municipality making a saving of \$946.

He paid tribute to E. Fulcher, superintendent of public works.

WURTELE ON HEALTH

Councillor A. C. Wurtele, Esquimalt representative of the Union Board of Health, reported on health and welfare.

"Living conditions in certain areas, leave much to be desired," he said. "We on the council are not entirely satisfied with the emergency shelter at Macaulay camp."

He said attempts were being made to clean up places on which the council had received reports, in order to make "Esquimalt a more healthy place in which to live." He spoke briefly of council interest in garbage disposal and said he felt there was some chance for a sanitary plow and cover, scheme for garbage disposal.

Councillor G. V. Bishop, chairman of the parks and playgrounds committee, who is retiring from council this year, told the meeting that high costs and shortages of materials had prevented council from doing all that it wanted to do, with regards to park and playground improvement.

Charles Beadnell was chairman.

Rails To Go Jan. 1; \$1,200 Gain In Deal Made By Reeve A. Thomas

Removal of streetcar rails in the Municipality of Esquimalt is expected to start shortly after January 1, following completion of negotiations by Reeve A. I. Thomas with a Vancouver firm and receipt of first payment of \$500 to the municipality.

Reeve Thomas, re-elected by acclamation Monday made the announcement during the course of a report on his first six months as reeve, at a public meeting in the municipal hall Wednesday night, and stated that the negotiations just completed in Vancouver would provide Esquimalt with approximately \$1,200.

"I had instructions from council to consummate the deal and removal of the rails will cost us nothing and we will clear about \$1,200," he said, adding that decision would have to be made later on which rails would be removed first.

He outlined the steps council had to take before the deal could go through. When the unified transportation system became an actual fact, it permitted the reeve to complete the negotiations.

BRIEF TO OTTAWA

Copy of the 12-point brief, just prepared by the reeve and sent to Prime Minister King and cabinet ministers concerned, on the question of an annual grant for Esquimalt in recompense for the tax-free land held by the federal government, was presented to the meeting.

"The council respectfully suggests and urges that the Dominion government make an annual grant to Esquimalt, such grants to be commensurate with the loss sustained by the township through its inability to tax lands and improvements vested in His Majesty the King," Reeve Thomas wrote.

Outlining the services given by Esquimalt to the federally-owned properties, he stated the Dominion government did not contribute, by any way of direct taxation on lands or improvements, anything in respect of the services, with cost having to be borne by the tax-paying property owner.

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Contributory Social Security Plan Favored By B.C. Liberal Convention

HOTEL VANCOUVER—The Liberal convention which wound up here Wednesday night called on the Dominion and provincial governments to enter into immediate consultation aimed at the institution of a comprehensive, all embracing contributory social security scheme.

This action was urged in the final resolution of 22 adopted by the convention. The preamble mentioned the comprehensive plan adopted by the B.C. Post-war Rehabilitation Council which suggested the scheme cover labor, health, pensions, and other topics.

Other resolutions adopted by the convention during its final session were:

1. That old-age pensions be revised by abolition of the means test, reducing the age limit "to bring it in line with the recognized age limitation in industry" and providing compensation for rising costs of living.

2. That wives of veterans in receipt of war veterans' allowances and widows and minor children be entitled to D.V.A. hospitalization and medical care.

3. That the federal government consider extending the vocational and university education benefits now offered all veterans to cover children of the men who gave their lives for their country.

4. That the federal govern-

ment establish regional housing authorities, stimulate the use of mass-production methods where possible, subsidize or give loans to municipalities for development of projects to encourage new housing construction, and subsidize persons or organizations towards approved low-cost, low-rental housing projects.

5. That the Dominion and provincial governments be urged to appoint women to boards and commissions and other public bodies to a greater extent than those done in the past.

WEST COAST ROAD

6. That the government proceed with its highway building program including the completion of the Agassiz-Haig highway, the express highway connection from Coquitlam to Vancouver, a road from Sooke to Alberni via Bamfield, and improvements to the Trans-Canada Highway.

7. That the provincial government decide promptly on a Trans-Canada highway route in B.C., and petition the federal government to undertake at the earliest possible moment construction of the western portion and the Trans-Canada Highway in B.C. and subsidize maintenance of this highway.

8. That a provincial assessment commission be appointed to investigate, establish and ensure equitable assessments throughout the province both in municipalities and in unorgan-

ized areas, and that the definition of "land" and "improvements" be uniform in the taxation act, public schools act and the municipal act.

SCHOOL TAXES

9. That school taxes, other than capital costs which should be continued under the present arrangement, be paid from the sum raised by five mills on assessed value of land and 75 per cent of improvements.

10. That the federal government give immediate consideration to agricultural price fluctuations and other legislation that would assist in keeping prevailing food prices in keeping with the costs of production, to the end that food production and consumption be further stimulated and augmented.

11. That the federal and provincial governments be urged to co-operate in building of storage dams in the dry belt to supply irrigation water and cheap electric power.

12. That the provincial government be urged to pass legislation to protect the homes of de-severed wives and families.

13. That the Dominion Income Tax Act be amended to provide exemption from tax of savings plans for individuals established by life insurance policies or through recognized life insurance companies or the Dominion Annuities Branch or post office saving funds to the same extent as the present pension plans.

Uncle Ray

GREEDY OCTOPUS QUARRELS ABOUT HIS FOOD

Long ago I saw a "picture of a man" which a small boy had made. It was nothing but a head and two legs!

If that boy had been drawing an octopus, he would have come closer to the truth if he had fastened the legs, or arms, to the head. The eight arms of an octopus spread out from the head.

There is more to an octopus, however, than a head and arms. It also has a good-sized stomach. It is a greedy animal, and uses its arms to pick up oysters, crabs and lobsters. These are drawn in and placed in the mouth.

An octopus has powerful jaws, and uses them in crushing its prey. The jaws are shaped very much like those of a parrot, but a good-sized octopus has far larger jaws than any parrot.

When two octopuses try to pick up the same crab or lobster, they are likely to start fighting. Several fights of this kind have been reported.

A captive octopus has been known to eat a part of one of its own arms. That is such a queer

thing to do that we may suppose the animal "went crazy."

Even if it has its "right mind," an octopus seems to be gifted with little brain power. Yet it gets along in the battle of life, and we may find members of the tribe in all the oceans and most of the seas of the earth. They are rare inside the Arctic Circle,

and seldom are found in waters around the Antarctic continent.

About 150 kinds of octopus exist. Some of them live in shallow water, and have "hairs" between rocks near the shore. Others spend their time in deep parts of the ocean. A few have been taken up from a depth of two miles. Others have been

seen floating or swimming on the surface of the ocean, 1,000 miles from land.

(For Nature section of your scrapbook.)

BURGESS HILL, Sussex

Three hundred and seventy-eight votes were cast in favor of Sunday games and 375 against.

Correspondent Dies

OTTAWA (CP)—Thomas T. Topping, 64, former foreign correspondent for the Associated Press and Haves Agency and one-time secretary to the United States Ambassador to Belgium, died suddenly here Wednesday.

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Avowed Anti-Coalitionist Named Leader Of Liberal Party In B.C.

HOTEL VANCOUVER—An avowed anti-coalitionist, 43-year-old Arthur Laing of Vancouver, twice defeated in Delta constituency for election to the B.C. Legislature, Wednesday afternoon was elected president of the British Columbia Liberal Association.

Mr. Laing, following his election at a standing vote, announced that he had not favored coalition when it came into being in 1941, and he did not favor it today, but, he added, he did not favor breaking up the Coalition administration of Liberals and Progressive Conservatives immediately.

President of the B.C. Young Liberal Association, and a graduate of the University of B.C. holding a Bachelor of Science degree in agriculture, Mr. Laing was nominated by former premier T. D. Pattullo, who stepped out of the premier's office in 1941 rather than form a coalition government.

The B.C. Liberal Association's nominating committee had proposed the name of H. G. T. Perry, former speaker and minister of education, but Mr. Perry withdrew his name, saying he would hate to see another division vote because of the closeness of the leadership race.

"That," he said, "would be unhealthy."

Donald MacDonald of Trail, who was nominated by H. W. Davey of Victoria, was the other candidate for the president's

chair. A standing vote was called by the retiring president, Dr. W. J. Knox.

Admitting his election was the proudest moment of his life, Mr. Laing said: "I think it is about time more men and women stood by their convictions as a granite pier the way they used to."

Mr. Laing indicated that he would prepare the Liberal party to face the polls alone at the next general election.

Mr. Pattullo, in his nominating address, mentioned that more young men and women were needed in the Liberal Party and that Mr. Laing was a good organizer.

VICTORIAN ELECTED

The association elected five vice-presidents from a slate of 14 candidates proposed from the floor of the convention.

The new vice-presidents are: Mr. MacDonald, Mrs. J. L. Gates, Victoria; Chris Brown, New Westminster; Alex Fisher, Vancouver, and T. J. O'Neill, Kamloops.

Among those nominated but failing to be elected were T. J. Christie, Port Alberni; Fred McGregor, Oak Bay, and E. Bradshaw, Nanaimo.

The secretary and treasurer of the association will be chosen by the officers.

To Dr. Knox, the retiring president, and Mrs. Knox, was presented a silver tea service.

A pen and pencil desk set was presented to J. E. Thomson, retiring secretary.

Johnson To Become Next Premier Before Christmas, Declares Hart

By DAVE DRIVER

HOTEL VANCOUVER—Byron I. "Boss" Johnson, the new Victoria-born premier-elect of British Columbia, will be sworn in at an undecided date before Christmas.

This was announced at the Liberal convention here Wednesday by Premier John Hart following the photo-finish election of Mr. Johnson to the leadership of the Liberal Party in British Columbia. Mr. Johnson polled 475 votes to 467 polled by Attorney-General Gordon S. Wismer, who is also minister of labor and acting minister of education.

Mr. Hart also announced that Mr. Johnson would accompany him to Victoria Thursday night to begin learning the ropes of his new office.

Mr. Johnson spoke out strongly for continuance of the Coalition administration of Liberals and Progressive Conservatives in British Columbia.

"We must stand shoulder to shoulder as Liberals so we may make our contribution to liberalism—so we may make our contribution to coalition—and let us realize we must have young people in the party," he said. "I say to you to prepare some young man to take my place."

Mr. Johnson noted that he had been elected on his 57th birthday.

THANKS NANCY HODGES

He thanked all those who had come to the convention and specifically Mrs. Nancy Hodges, Victoria M.L.A., who proposed his name, and James Sinclair, North Vancouver M.P., who seconded his nomination.

Following the announcement

of the result of the strongly-contested election, Mr. Hart and Mr. Johnson retired to hold a caucus with M.L.A.'s attending the convention.

Mr. Hart announced that at this caucus Mr. Johnson had been unanimously endorsed as leader of the party in British Columbia.

"Furthermore," said Mr. Hart, "I was directed to recommend Mr. Boss Johnson to His Honor (Lieutenant-Governor Charles A. Banks) to succeed me as premier."

"That motion was moved by the Attorney-General, Mr. Wismer."

"I shall at a very early date which will be before Christmas take Mr. Johnson by the hand to His Honor, and say, 'Your Honor, here is the new premier.'"

Mr. Wismer, as soon as the result of the poll had been announced, jumped to his feet and suggested that the selection of Mr. Johnson be made unanimous.

BITTER FIGHT

"It has been a bitter fight and many of my friends feel keenly about it. But I don't want this to cause any split in the Liberal Party," he said. "It has been a clean fight, but it's over now and we are all together as Liberals."

It is thought Mr. Wismer will carry on, temporarily at least, in his portfolios of the government, but he declined to answer a direct question as to whether he would.

He said that "we must do what is best for the party."

Attending the convention were about 640 delegates who were entitled to vote. Many of them carried proxies, so that the total

number of ballots cast was boosted to 943.

Returning officer for the ballot counting was Mayor William Mott of New Westminster. Sharply at 2 in the afternoon, he left the room in which the ballots had been counted and made his way into the convention hall where he handed a sheet of paper to the president of the association, Dr. W. J. Knox.

Dr. Knox a few moments later announced the result of the poll.

It was followed by an uproar of applause and congratulations for and handshaking with the new leader.

Selection of a new leader was made necessary by the announcement of Premier Hart recently that he would retire.



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'Nightmare Alley' Capitol Feature

"Nightmare Alley," William Lindsay Gresham's comment on the novel of a cheap carnival barker who exploits others to pull himself into the big time, comes to the Capitol Theatre today, presenting Tyrone Power in a new type of characterization that deviates sharply from any role that he has previously attempted. As Stan Carlisle, he is a ruthless, unprincipled fellow who cheats and lies his way to becoming "The Great Stanton," mentalist, leaving in his path

broken lives and broken hearts. Joan Blondell, Coleen Gray and Helen Walker are seen as the three women he loves and leaves in the outstanding cast of the Twentieth Century-Fox film directed by Edmund Goulding and produced by George Jessel.

ROYAL THEATRE
So impressed was Bryan Foy, Eagle-Lion's vice president in charge of production, with Richard Basehart's performance in "Repeat Performance," now showing at the Royal Theatre, he immediately cast his star discovery actor in "Career in Manhattan," which is being specially written for Basehart by Aben Kandel, noted novelist.

East Indians Here Observe Granting Of Civil Rights

Canadians of European and East Indian origin mingled together in a spirit of understanding at a reception and banquet held at the Empress Hotel Wednesday to commemorate the extension of the franchise to East Indians in Canada.

Civic and government officials, including representatives from service clubs and the Sikh colony, attended the reception, the first of its kind to be held in Victoria. Among those present were Dr. T. A. Rickard, Mayor Percy George, Hon. Leslie Eyres, Minister of Trade and Industry, Mayo Singh, Smund Singh, priest of the Sikh Temple and Hon. R. C. Macdonald.

Dr. D. P. Pandia, who worked hard for the extension of the franchise to East Indians, expressed the hope that the banquet would serve as a basis for other similar meetings between Canadians of eastern and western origin.

"I believe that meetings of this type does more to promote good will and understanding than reading books on India," he stated. "There is a great need today for a better understanding between all nations."

Dr. Pandia said the granting of independence to India would strengthen the link between Great Britain and India. "Now that we are on an equal footing with the rest of the Commonwealth, I'm sure the partnership will continue to grow," he added. Describing the British Commonwealth as a small League of Nations, Dr. Pandia said tremendous things were happening in India today, and predicted that within 25 years India would be playing a vital role in world affairs.

"Conditions in India are not as bad as they are pictured," he said. "We are only suffering from growing pains."

Sir Robert Holland, former administrator of India, who acted as chairman, said it was not the fault of East Indians if they had not fitted into the social life of the community. "We did not welcome them into our midst," he said. "It is up to us to see that they form a part of our community."

Sir Robert paid a tribute to Dr. Pandia, who will be leaving soon for India.

H. Cuthbert Holmes, president of the Chamber of Commerce,

Valuable Articles To Be Auctioned Off Tonight



Rotarians Louis Michelin, Roy Denny and Geoffrey Edgell, left to right, pose with four of the special prizes which will be auctioned off to the public on the third annual Rotary radio auction program to be heard over CJVI at 8.30 tonight. Besides the lazy boy chair, refrigerator, mixer and man's suit, pictured above, the special list includes another refrigerator, sewing machine, cocktail table, vacuum cleaner, grandfather clock, champion springer spaniel, 20 squares of asphalt roofing and one streetcar. Altogether 150 useful articles will go under the auctioneer's gavel.

emphasized there was a market of tremendous potential available to Canada from India. He mentioned newspaper products as one of the commodities Canada could export to India.

Trade and Industry Minister Leslie Eyres spoke on the extension of the franchise and expressed the hope that East Indians would adopt Canadian customs and work with humanity to abolish war.

Dr. T. A. Rickard said civilization was a co-ordination of the human element, and he expressed the hope that East Indians would join in the life of the community.

Among other speakers were Mayor Percy George and Smund Singh.

Many of the guests at the reception were accompanied by their wives. A film on India was shown.

'Angel On My Shoulder' At York

Charles R. Rogers' fascinating new comedy-drama, "Angel On My Shoulder," is being shown today at the York Theatre.

Researchers dipped into Milton's "Paradise Lost." They studied Dante's "Inferno." They read and re-read the story of Faust in its operatic version and brushed up on the original Mephistopheles in Goethe's famous play.

'Johnny In Clouds' New Oak Bay Show

"Little Lovely" is not little at all, but is both an enormous and powerful flying fortress. Appearing in Anatole de Gruwald's brilliant film, "Johnny In the Clouds," now at the Oak Bay Theatre, through United Artists release, "Little Lovely" has a stellar role.

The "Fort" is a battle-scarred veteran with 90 missions to her credit.

DOMINION THEATRE

Everything's changing — even the old southern concept of cooking! That's the inescapable conclusion to be drawn from Eagle-Lion's comedy riot, "It's a Joke, Son!" which is now at the Dominion Theatre, with Kenny Delmar starred in his familiar characterization of Senator Claghorn, epitome of the "Old South."

A great part of the comedy comes from the resentment of Una Merkel, portraying Claghorn's wife, over her prospective son-in-law's desire to go into the frozen food business. Mrs. Claghorn's argument is that "we don't like frozen food, which reminds us of the cold and bleak north!"

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Sets Planned For Pantomime



"The Court of the Silver Pillars," scene of the third act in the Christmas pantomime "Babes in the Woods," is arranged in miniature in the picture above. Mrs. W. T. Fraser, right, is convener of the Solarium Junior League committee sponsoring the pantomime. Mrs. V. E. Fraser and Miss Cora Wharton, left to right, are also acting on the committee with Mrs. R. D. McCullough, Mrs. S. Fell and Miss Barbara Hill. Performances will be given the evenings of Dec. 15, 16 and 17, with a matinee on Dec. 17. Proceeds are to be used for the Queen Alexandra Solarium for Crippled Children.

Howe Tells Commons Geneva Pact To Open Vast New Export Market

OTTAWA (CP) — Some government and opposition members of the Commons, although in accord on the desirability of multilateral world trade agreements, disagreed Wednesday on whether the objective could be reached through the new Geneva trade agreement.

Reconstruction Minister Howe viewed the agreement as an instrument that would open vast export markets for Canadian products and possibly solve, permanently and satisfactorily, Canada's adverse trade balance with the United States.

He disclosed that a sampling taken from 2,250 companies indicated they exported \$350,000,000 worth of goods in 1939, \$670,000,000 in 1944 and that they expected to be able to export \$1,200,000,000 after completion of modernization and expansion projects.

"This means," he said, "exports about 3 1/2 times as much in value terms or 2 1/2 times in volume terms as before the war."

Opposition speakers were less optimistic. For instance, Victor Quelch, S.C., Acadia, Alta., said many of the world's trade problems of the past had arisen out of the refusal of the United States to recognize that trade was a two-way street. There was nothing in the agreement that would force a change of such policies.

B.C. MEMBERS SPEAK

Howard Green, P.C., Vancouver South, and Cecil Merritt, V.C., P.C., Vancouver-Burrard, charged the agreement would destroy the British preferential tariff system and its benefits to Canadian trade.

Mr. Green moved that the Geneva agreement be separated from complementary agreements with the United States and Britain and then referred to the committee of the whole House. The motion was still awaiting a vote at adjournment.

The Vancouver member said Canada had "shabbily" treated sister Commonwealth nations and other friendly countries by extending against them embargoes that were imposed to correct the adverse balance of trade with the United States. He said that right through

'Green For Danger' On Plaza Screen

"Green for Danger," now at the Plaza Theatre, is the latest film to come from Individual Pictures, who made the highly successful "The Rake's Progress" and "I See a Dark Stranger." The picture was written and directed by Sidney Gilliat who adapted the screenplay from Christianna Brand's best-selling novel of the same name. The stars are Sally Gray, Rosamund John, Trevor Howard and Alastair Sim.

The story of the film is set in a war-time emergency hospital near London, at the time of the flying bomb raids.

'Mother Wore Tights' At Atlas

Betty Grable, who has flatly turned down her studio's many offers of straight dramatic vehicles, is happily pointing to a new trend in technicolor musicals. For the glamorous star, this trend is crystallized in "Mother Wore Tights," which is based on the real-life biography of vaudevillians Myrtle and

Frank Burt, who tramped across the country from 1902 until the late '20's. Betty plays the title role, in the Twentieth Century-Fox film opening today at the Atlas Theatre, with Dan Dailey, an ex-vaudevillean who plays himself, playing the "Father" of the story.

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BRIGHTON—A scheme to provide Brighton, south coast seaside resort, with a \$21,000,000 pleasure beach has been submitted to the town council.

Former Newfoundlanders Gather At Banquet



—Photo by Paul Jones.

Seated at the head table at the annual meeting of the Newfoundland Association of Victoria, left to right: Mrs. D. Decker, Mrs. G. L. Gillard, secretary; Rev. G. L. Gillard, padre; Mrs. R. Coles, R. Coles, president; Mrs. L. W. Cox, assistant secretary, and L. W. Cox, vice-president. Following dinner, a program of Scotch reels, square dances and the singing of Newfoundland songs was presented.

Rumors Create Last-Hour Flurry Among Golds On Toronto Exchange

By Canadian Press

Stock markets took some heart in New York and Toronto Wednesday, while Montreal was quiet but with a firm tone in selected issues.

Toronto "street" rumors took a brighter view of the possibility of some assistance from Ottawa for the gold mining industry, and in a last-hour flurry the sensitive golds raised their index 2.24 points to 109.74 for a total recovery of nearly three points since Monday's sharp decline. Activity centred in mines which are in production.

Industrials, base metals and western oils also gained in the exchange's index, made up from representative stocks.

New York had its third successive average advance, with rails in the lead, to make the third 1,000,000-share day since Nov. 19. Railroad bonds, also snapped out of their decline, with brokers' inclining to the theory they had been oversold.

At Winnipeg oats and barley

futures clung to previous session levels in light trading.

The price of class two wheat, for export to countries other than the United Kingdom, has been increased three cents at \$3.35 for No. 1 northern and No. 1 durum respectively.

Canada had 11,700,000 bushels of wheat less in store Dec. 4 than a year ago, with supplies in store or in transit at 145,000,000 bushels. Slackening of prairie wheat marketings continues.

At Chicago wheat and oats were firm in sympathy with a jump in corn.

SUGAR OUTLOOK

Canada and Dominion Sugar Co. Ltd. report prospective sugar production from 1947-48 crops in areas supplying North America at 13,502,753 tons and comments that "there is more than enough sugar available for North America during the coming year."

Canadian beet sugar production is estimated at 8,275 tons and United States production at 1,950,000.

Butter production increased 8.6 per cent in November and 7.2 per

Frenchman Who Said Own Country Guilty Long Standing Red

PARIS (AP)—Lt.-Col. Raymond Marquie, chief of the ousted French Repatriation Mission to Moscow who Wednesday attacked his government for its "malicious attitude" toward Russia, was identified today as a Communist of many years standing who wants to stay in the Soviet Union.

One of Veterans' Minister Francois Mitterand's aides declared that if Marquie's statements Wednesday night in Moscow "are confirmed he will be dismissed and expelled from the army as soon as he gets back." Marquie and the four other members of the mission are due to leave Moscow tomorrow.

The ministry said Marquie was appointed to his post more than a year ago when Communist Laurent Casanova headed the mission. The War Ministry termed his rank "fictitious," saying that before the war he was a staff sergeant in the reserve.

The French-Russian dispute grew out of the month-long, Communist-propagated strikes in France which ended Wednesday. Marquie accused his government of plotting for three months to evict the Russian mission from France and of systematically carrying out this plan. His statements were published here today in the Communist newspaper L'Humanite.

CLAIMS PROOF LACKING

He told Russian and foreign reporters at a press conference in Moscow that French charges against two officers of the Soviet Repatriation Commission were "without proof and false."

Marquie said his government was entirely responsible for the "events of the last few days," during which the mutual expulsions were ordered and trade negotiations between the two countries broken off.

"None of these events can be blamed on the Soviet government," he declared.

Another member of the mission, Lieut. Dumas, backed him up. He signed a statement, read at the press conference, saying the French mission had received every co-operation from Soviet authorities.

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Dutch To Sponsor Mass Emigration

WINNIPEG (CP)—J. S. McGowan, director of the Department of Colonization and Agriculture of the Canadian National Railways, said the Dutch government will sponsor emigration of 10,000 citizens from Holland to Canada in 1948.

Larger numbers would be sent if more ships were available, and if the emigrants could obtain more Canadian dollars, he said. It is expected the two ships Holland can provide to carry settlers will make 13 trips in 1948 to bring them to Canada.

Mr. McGowan said the groups would settle in the Holland Marsh area near Bradford, Ont., central British Columbia, near Edmonton in Alberta and in scattered parts of western Canada.

"These people have a knowledge of mixed farming and intensive cultivation that makes them excellent settlers," Mr. McGowan said.

Pope To Broadcast

ROME (Reuter)—Christmas Eve the Pope will receive members of the Sacred College of Cardinals in Rome, and in reply to their Christmas wishes, it is understood, will broadcast a world-wide appeal for co-operation in the cause of peace.

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Canadian Issues Generally Higher

NEW YORK (AP)—Recoveries continued for assorted favorites in today's stock market although many leaders were unable to overcome light offerings.

The recently-strong rally ran out of steam. While gains of fractions to a point or so were well distributed near the close, numerous losers remained.

Canadian issues were generally higher. Distillers Seagrams



ABOUT HOUSING

Was reading a columnist's piece the other day about housing in Vancouver. He was pretty mad because he knew some people who were getting discouraged about ever having a nice home.

"One gathered he didn't think the system was working worth a dam. Some low-lived characters somewhere must be doing the public in the eye."

Digging produced these facts:

Vancouver is the fastest-growing city in Canada and the housing problem is aggravated mainly by so many new people wanting to live here.

Vancouver, since the war, has built more new houses in proportion to its population than any other city in Canada.

Vancouver has received more lumber and a higher percentage of the lumber produced in B.C. than ever before in its history. Much of the rest is going to Britain where a third of the homes were bombed out.

By far the greater part of the cost of a new house and its materials is in wages, direct and indirect.

In Britain a Socialist government hasn't come near the number of housing completions which the Churchill government set as its minimum objective and which the Labor Party, in its campaign, called "disgracefully and impossibly" inadequate. Now it is cutting down on house building licenses drastically.

Crowded though Vancouver is, the average is less than one person per room in residences. In Russia the figure is nine persons per room and it has never been less since the Soviet government was formed.

But then, in Russia they love communal living... and there's no central heating.

Jim West

"Jim West Says" is sponsored by the British Columbia Federation of Trade and Industry.

Aluminum Shows Rise Of 8 Points

MONTREAL (CP)—Selected stock issues were steady to slightly higher on the stock exchange and curb market today. Trading up to the final hour was light. Mines were mixed on a quiet market.

Aluminum stood out with a rise of 8 points in metals and Noranda gained a single point. Consolidated Smelting rose ¼.

Montreal averages:
20 Industrials 126.00 up 10
10 utilities 74.90 up 10
30 combined 109.00 up 20
10 pulp, paper 37.05 up 18
15 oils 77.34 up 23

Total sales, \$57,000.

(By James Richardson & Sons)

Can. Invest. Fund	Bid	Ask
Can. Bank of Com.	22 1/2	23 1/2
Imperial Bank	23 1/2	24 1/2
Bank of Montreal	24 1/2	25 1/2
Royal Bank	25 1/2	26 1/2
Can. Nat. Bank	26 1/2	27 1/2
Aluminum	27 1/2	28 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	28 1/2	29 1/2
Aluminum Pfd.	29 1/2	30 1/2
Alcan. Pfd.	30 1/2	31 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. 2nd	31 1/2	32 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. 3rd	32 1/2	33 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. 4th	33 1/2	34 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. 5th	34 1/2	35 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. 6th	35 1/2	36 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. 7th	36 1/2	37 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. 8th	37 1/2	38 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. 9th	38 1/2	39 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. 10th	39 1/2	40 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. 11th	40 1/2	41 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. 12th	41 1/2	42 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. 13th	42 1/2	43 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. 14th	43 1/2	44 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. 15th	44 1/2	45 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. 16th	45 1/2	46 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. 17th	46 1/2	47 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. 18th	47 1/2	48 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. 19th	48 1/2	49 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. 20th	49 1/2	50 1/2

B.C. Pulp Establishes New High

TORONTO (CP)—Industrials were irregular with gains and losses about evenly divided on the Toronto Stock Exchange today, while golds, base metals and western oils were generally stronger.

In papers, B.C. Pulp touched a new high of 98. United Steel showed a new low of 6½. Foods were generally lower. Fanny Farmer marking a new low of 47½. Liquors were higher, especially Walkers, as were financial institutions. Textiles were fractionally down.

Aluminum reached a new high of \$221, up 7½. Goodyear Tire was a gainer.

Toronto Index: 170.75 up 0.30
20 golds 111.64 up 1.98
10 base metals 81.30 up 0.50
15 western oils 28.24 up 1.36

Total sales, \$81,000.

(By A. E. Ames & Co.)

Dec. 11, 1917, 9 a.m.		
	Bid	Asked
Alum. Co. of Canada 44 pfd.	97 1/2	98 1/2
Ashtown Hardware A.	13 1/4	14 1/4
Wells Bros. com.	10 1/2	11 1/2
Bank of Montreal 4 1/2 pfd.	108 1/2	109 1/2
Canadian T. & P. com.	19 1/2	19 3/4
Canadian T. & P. 4 1/2 pfd.	20 1/2	21 1/2
C. & P. Power A.	25 1/2	26 1/2
Crack S. & M. com.	23 1/2	24 1/2
London Stock Ex.	11 1/2	12 1/2
Canada and Dominion Sugar.	18 1/2	19 1/2
Canadian Northern Lines pfd.	19 1/2	20 1/2
Canadian Breweries	22 1/2	23 1/2
Canadian Pacific Railway	13 1/2	14 1/2
Canadian Pacific 4 1/2 pfd.	19 1/2	20 1/2
Comex Imperial Mills	25 1/2	26 1/2
Comex Imperial 4 1/2 pfd.	26 1/2	27 1/2
Dominion Bridge	31 1/2	32 1/2
Imperial A. of Canada	32 1/2	33 1/2
Imperial C. of Canada	14 1/2	15 1/2
Imperial Tobacco	19 1/2	20 1/2
Imperial Indus. 4 1/2 pfd.	19 1/2	20 1/2
Do.	28 1/2	29 1/2
Int. Petroleum	12 1/2	13 1/2
Int. Petroleum 4 1/2 pfd.	13 1/2	14 1/2
Can. Col. Frontenac 4 1/2 pfd.	68 1/2	69 1/2
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Canadian Locomotive Works	14 1/2	15 1/2
C. Electric Co. pfd.	68 1/2	69 1/2
Canadian Lumber Co. Ltd.	10 1/2	11 1/2
National Hoist-A.	10 1/2	11 1/2
National Hoist-A. 4 1/2 pfd.	22 1/2	23 1/2
Northwestern Paper Mills	17 1/2	18 1/2
Ottawa River Co.	12 1/2	13 1/2
Ottawa River 4 1/2 pfd.	13 1/2	14 1/2
Packaging Co. of Canada	23 1/2	24 1/2
Chas. Brainerd Ltd.	26 1/2	27 1/2
Do. B.	21 1/2	22 1/2
Do. B. com.	17 1/2	18 1/2
United Canada pfd.	73 1/2	74 1/2
United Canada 4 1/2 pfd.	74 1/2	75 1/2
United Fuel A. pfd.	48 1/2	49 1/2

Vancouver Stocks

Vancouver averages:
20 golds 55.42 off 0.13
10 base metals 73.75 off 1.91
15 oils 115.16 up 2.62

(By Hagar Investments Ltd.)

Alcan. Indus.	Bid	Ask
Alcan. Indus.	27 1/2	28 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	28 1/2	29 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	29 1/2	30 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	30 1/2	31 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	31 1/2	32 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	32 1/2	33 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	33 1/2	34 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	34 1/2	35 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	35 1/2	36 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	36 1/2	37 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	37 1/2	38 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	38 1/2	39 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	39 1/2	40 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	40 1/2	41 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	41 1/2	42 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	42 1/2	43 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	43 1/2	44 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	44 1/2	45 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	45 1/2	46 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	46 1/2	47 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	47 1/2	48 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	48 1/2	49 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	49 1/2	50 1/2

T.C.A. Putting On Extra Flights Over Holiday Season

To meet the rush of travelers over the Christmas season, Trans-Canada Airlines will put on additional flights out of Victoria, starting Dec. 23, J. C. Finlay, T.C.A. traffic representative, reported here today.

On Dec. 23, there will be five additional flights to Vancouver, and on Dec. 24, seven additional flights to Vancouver and two additional to Seattle.

The remainder of the added flights will be to Vancouver, and as follows: Dec. 25, two additional; Dec. 26, two additional; Dec. 27, five additional; Dec. 28, two additional; Dec. 29, four additional; Dec. 30, four additional; Dec. 31, four additional.

These flights will supplement the regular service of eight daily flights to Vancouver and two to Seattle.

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Take, for instance, what happened at one meeting alone—that held in the Market Building on the Sunday prior to the election.

Come From German D.P. Camps To B.C.

The first group of railway track workers, some of whom will be employed at Kamloops, to be brought to Canada, from displaced persons camps in Germany, were among the 856 persons to reach Halifax Wednesday aboard the Ss. General Sturgis.

Included among the 856 persons who will travel to Halifax on two boats special over Canadian National Railway lines are: 94 domestics, 82 garment workers, 150 track workers, 230 miners and 92 electrical power workers, as well as 168 of their relatives and dependents.

Bookings Heavy On C.N.R. Facilities

Advance reservations for sleeping-car space indicate heavy rail travel between Pacific coast and Okanagan Valley points commencing Dec. 19, when schools and colleges close for the Christmas season, according to Canadian National Railways passenger officials.

To handle the rush, extra sleeping-cars will be operated between Vancouver and Kelowna by the C.N.R. in an endeavor to provide ample berth accommodation in both directions. The extra equipment will be in service during the entire holiday period, from Dec. 19 until Jan. 3.

Sound Light Out

Mariners are advised the light on Ildstad Island, Quatsino Sound, is extinguished, W. L. Stamford, agent for the Department of Transport, reported today.

Preferred Stocks

(By T. H. Burns & Co. Ltd.)

Alcan. Indus.	Bid	Ask
Alcan. Indus.	27 1/2	28 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	28 1/2	29 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	29 1/2	30 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	30 1/2	31 1/2
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Alcan. Indus.	39 1/2	40 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	40 1/2	41 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	41 1/2	42 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	42 1/2	43 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	43 1/2	44 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	44 1/2	45 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	45 1/2	46 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	46 1/2	47 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	47 1/2	48 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	48 1/2	49 1/2
Alcan. Indus.	49 1/2	50 1/2

Ss. Kathleen Returning To Run In Time For Christmas Travel

Hopes were expressed today that the C.P.R.'s B.C. Coast Service vessel Princess Kathleen would be back in service from repairs at Yarrow's Ltd. by the middle of next week to take part in the anticipated Christmas season increase in travel between the mainland and Vancouver Island.

The Kathleen has been at Yarrow's for repairs to her rudder and starboard propeller, damaged when she ran aground in the First Narrows of Vancouver Harbor on the morning of Nov. 30.

To meet the increase, extra sailings will be put on for the Victoria-Vancouver and Nanaimo-Vancouver runs over the Christmas season, R. J. Burland, general agent, reported here today.

There will be extra sailings out of Victoria on the nights of Dec. 22, 23 and 24, and two extra on the night of Dec. 26. There will be one extra night sailing each on Dec. 27, 28 and 29, and another extra night sailing on Jan. 2.

Extra night sailings out of Nanaimo are as follows: Dec. 19, 9:30 p.m.; Dec. 20, 1 p.m. and 2:45 p.m.; Dec. 21, 6 p.m.; Dec. 22, 1 p.m. and 2:45 p.m.; Dec. 23, 1 p.m. and 2:45 p.m.; Dec. 24, 1 p.m. and 2:45 p.m.; Dec. 25, 1 p.m. and 2:45 p.m.; Dec. 26, 2:45 p.m.; Dec. 27, 2:45 p.m.; Dec. 28, 4:30 p.m. and 6 p.m.; Dec. 29, 1 p.m.

One Woman's Day

By NANCY HODGES

ELECTION OPTIMISM

TODAY VICTORIA CITIZENS are going to the polls in great numbers—I hope!—to choose the aldermen, and police commissioner who will carry on the various phases of municipal business during the coming year.

And to any serious student of public affairs it must be gratifying to note the signs of a resurgence of public interest displayed in this year's contest.

Whatever the immediate outcome, it at least suggests a departure from the apathy and lethargy which have been all too common a condition in the local body, politic in the last decade or so.

'DARK HORSES'

HOWEVER, I CAN'T HELP thinking that our civic elections could take on still a lot more color and interest to intrigue the potential voters.

And that observation was inspired by the preliminaries which preceded the recent municipal elections in the thriving city of Windsor, Ont.

Take, for instance, some of the strange characters who emerged during the campaign, and some of the odd platforms which turned up—only to be turned down, I suppose.

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MAYOR AND HIS QUEEN

THE AUDIENCE WAS AMAZED—and doubtless amused as well—at the elderly gentleman who did his campaigning, not from the platform, but on the floor of the meeting.

This strange "dark horse" candidate went about smoking a cigar. And in-between puffs he would thus hold forth, "In a pleasing gentle voice," we are told.

"I'm going to be the next mayor" of Windsor, regardless of the opposition.

"I'm married to the queen of Canada and she has all that is needed to finance my campaign. I'm a chartered accountant. I know a thing or two about running a business."

ASSET OR LIABILITY?

OF COURSE HE MAY HAVE been one of those dear old survivors of the chivalrous school of husbands to whom a wife is always a queen. Or he may have thought it would give his opponents a deuce of a shock to know that he held such an ace.

But I can't help feeling that a mayor married to a queen might be a bit more than the average municipality could take. Even if she had, as he said, all that was needed to finance a campaign, she still might prove, in the long run, to be more of a liability than an asset to the community.

Especially if she tried to queen it too much over the feminine half of the taxpaying subjects!

WHAT ABOUT WAR?

THAT ACCOUNTANT-CUM-KING-cum-mayor wasn't the only picturesque person at that Windsor meeting.

A member of the audience also proved a bit of a problem by insisting on interrogating the candidates as to their stand on the question of World Wars Three and Four.

It's hard enough on some candidates to expect them to know anything about the immediate problems of their own communities. But if on top of that they are expected to produce a ready-made nostrum guaranteed to cure all the ills of the world, then I can see the number of entrants in civic races shrinking rapidly.

So one can quite understand why that inquisitive citizen was firmly ruled out of order.

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Grade A medium 43¢
Grade B 41¢

London Market
LONDON (Reuters)—The London Stock Exchange was cheerful in tone today, with considerable turnover and widespread speculative activity.
Oil-related issues, however, were an exception, dipping as much as ¼ and showing final losses of ½. Monies apparently flowed from this section to other, notably home rails which were well supported.
By tobacco and textiles, industrials advanced. Oil shares were prominent with Canadian Eagle is higher at 36 1/2. Foreign bonds, including Italian issues and French sterling loans, also improved. Monies were generally firm but quiet.
Stock closings: Babcock & Wilcox 76 1/2, Boots Pure Drug 6 1/2, Canadian Pacific 117 1/2, Central Mining 221, Consolidated Goldfields 110 1/2, Courtauld 28 1/2, De Beers 31 1/2, Hudson's Bay Co. 7 1/2, The London Midland Railway 28 1/2, Metal Box 108 1/2, Mexican Eagle 16 1/2, Mining Trust Ltd. 16 1/2, Rand Mines 129 1/2.
Bonds: British 2 1/2%, Canadian 5 1/2%, 15 1/2%, War Loan 110 1/2, British Fundings 4 1/2%, 10 1/2%, 11 1/2%.

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